OOOH SHIT!
GOD DAMN IT!!
PSHHHHHHH
WHAT HAPPENED!? ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
AH, YEAH I'M FINE! BUT I THINK I JUST RAN OVER A CAT!
KLAK
I THINK I SAW IT FALL DOWN THERE SOMEWHERE...
THEN IT'S DEAD FOR SURE.
OH NO!

NOTHING CAN SURVIVE A FALL THAT HIGH.

ooOOH!
A SMALL, DEAD GATLING!

I ONCE HEARD A STORY THAT CATS HAVE NINE LIVES.
I'D LIKE TO BELIEVE IT'S TRUE...
...SO WHY DON'T YOU GET UP AND GO BACK TO YOUR MISTRESS!
OH YOU CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT,

ONWARDS!!
SPLAT!!
MOW
HHEEHEHEHE
RUN, RUN, RUN!!
RUN BACK HOME, LITTLE FAT CATLING!

PRAGUE RACE

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU SLEPT 'TILL NOON AGAIN.
THE CAT WOKE ME UP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT.. HE GOT OUTSIDE AGAIN, I HAVE NO IDEA HOW HE DOES THAT.
THERE'S PROBABLY A HOLE SOMEWHERE IN YOUR APARTMENT. I WOULDN'T BE SURPRISED.
HEY, DO YOU HAVE A WLAN HERE?
YEP, IT'S "MORDOR".

THE PASSWORD IS "MIGTHY OVERLORD LEONA".
THAT'S TASTELESS...

I HAVE TO CHECK OUT SOME UPDATES BEFORE WE LEAVE.

I'LL DRESS UP WHILE YOU'RE AT IT.

ALLRRRIGHT!

PFFTH

HIPEL

AH!!

WHERE THE HECK DID YOU COME FROM?

OH GOODNESS
WOULD YOU MIND LEAVING?

NO GABRIELE. DON'T GET ON THE TABLE!

AAH, WHY ARE YOU APPROACHING MY LAPTOP GO AWAY!!
SHOO!
SHOO!

OH FOR GOD'S SAKE GABBY.

WHAT ARE YOU SCREAMING ABOUT?
YOUR CAT IS HARASSING MY LAPTOP!
JUST MOVE HIM AWAY?

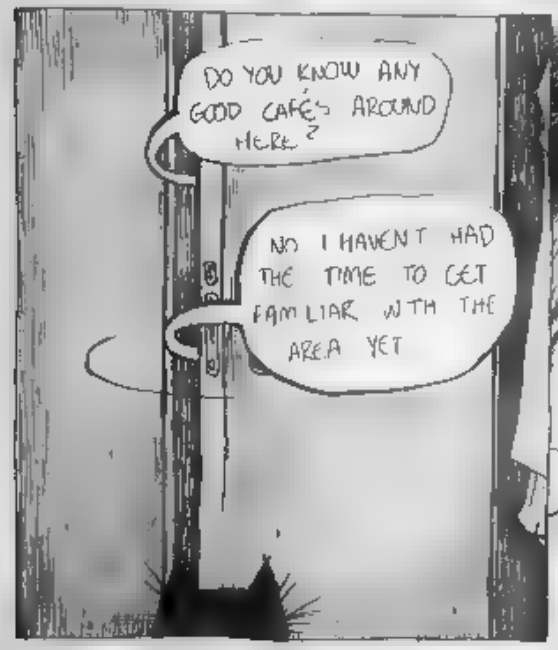
HE'S A VILE AND CREEPY CREATURE AND I DON'T WANT TO TOUCH HIM.
RUDE!
COME 'RE SWEETHEART

DON'T LISTEN TO COLIN HE'S JUST JEALOUS OF THOSE BEAUTIFUL ROUND EYES OF YOURS.
OH FOR THE SAKE OF EVERYTHING WORTH LIVING FOR STOP THAT.

OH AND MIKO'S ALSO COMING OVER LATER
DO YOU CALL HIM?

NO, HIS PHONE IS STILL BUSTED
FIGURES

READY TO LEAVE?
YEAH LET'S ROLL.
NO GABRIELE YOU'RE NOT COMING


DO YOU KNOW ANY GOOD CAFÉS AROUND HERE?
NO I HAVEN'T HAD THE TIME TO GET FAMILIAR WITH THE AREA YET

SO HOW DOES IT FEEL LIKE TO LIVE ALONE?

WELL YOU KNOW, BEING NAKED ALL DAY, LISTENING TO LOUD MUSIC, EATING WHENEVER I PLEASE...

HEHE

BUT I'VE ONLY BEEN ON MY OWN FOR AN AMAZING FOUR DAYS... SO I HAVEN'T REALLY GOTTEN THE HANG OF FREEDOM YET

BUT THE BEST PART IS THERE'S NO PARENTS AROUND!

THE THREE OF US SHOULD HAVE A PARTY AT YOUR PLACE BEFORE THE SCHOOL STARTS

OH YEA THAT'S A GREAT IDEA!

FORTUNATELY AT LEAST ONE OF US LIVES IN THEIR OWN APARTMENT, MIKO HAS AT LEAST FOUR OR FIVE RATHER ANNOYING FLATMATES

AND I HAVE TO LIVE WITH MY PARENTS UNTIL I CAN GATHER ENOUGH MONEY FOR THAT CAMERA.

GUESS I HAVE TO TAKE IN THE BOTH OF YOU THEN! IF YOU'LL KEEP THE APARTMENT CLEAN AND DO THE DISHES, THAT IS
OH MY, I COULD NEVER LIVE WITH YOU!
YOUR RATHER.. ECCENTRIC TASTE DISTURBS ME GREATLY
OH RIGHT SORRY KEEP FORGETTING WHAT A FANCYPANTS YOU ARE.
WHAT! CERTAINLY NOT!
YEAH YOU ARE! YOU EVEN TALK LIKE A LIVING FOSSIL
THE FACT THAT MY VOCABULARY IS A TAD BROADER AND MY TASTE MORE REFINED DOES NOT MEAN THAT
EW FOR REAL I JUST BARFED A LITTLE IN MY MOUTH.
-OH! LEONA, STOP PICKING ON ME!
HEY CHECK THAT OUT
SHOW TONIGHT
COOOOOL
SHOP OF
FIGHT THE POWER
...YOU RE JUST TRYING TO CHANGE THE SUBJECT AREN'T YOU
INCERA

COME LET'S GO CHECK IT OUT!
WHAT? NO!
YOU KNOW HOW I HATE OLD, DUSTY STORES LIKE THAT!
AND HOW THE OWNER COMES BREATHING INTO YOUR NECK, STARING IF YOU'D BUY ANYTHING.
AND IF YOU DON'T THEY GET ALL OFFENDED AND EVERYTHING IS AWKWARD AND EMBARRASSING!
COLIN, PLEASE.
LOOK AT ME, I'M AFRAID OF DIRT AND DUST, IT'LL DAMAGE MY PRECIOUS SKIN!
OI!!
I'M A PAMPERED LITTLE PRINCESS THAT CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT MY MOMS' PUDDING!
HEY, I DON'T ACT THAT WAY
AND AT NIGHT I WATCH OLD BLACK AND WHITE FILMS AND CRY LIKE A LITTLE CHILD..
IS IT BECAUSE MOCKED YOUR TASTE EARLIER? IF IT IS I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT OKAY?! JUST- PLEASE STOP, PEOPLE ARE STARING AT US
IF YOU ARE MAN ENOUGH TO FACE YOUR WORST FEAR, THE DUSTY ANTIQUE SHOP, YOU'LL FOLLOW ME HERE!
IF NOT, THEN GO HOME AND GROW SOME BALLS!
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO MAKE SUCH A BIG DEAL OUT OF EVERYTHING!?

SLAM!!!
..DEAR LORD, IS THERE ANY PERSON ON EARTH WHO WOULD BE MORE ANNOYING THAN LEONA IS
GOT ANY SPARE CHANGE?
!!!!!HH!
LEONA WAIT FOR ME!
..MAYBE I REALLY SHOULD BUY THAT TOOTHBRUSH...

OKAY, YOU WIN!
SO CAN WE PLEASE—
TINKLING

A A GIRL WITH LONG BLACK HAIR JUST CAME IN AND-
DID YOU SEE WHERE —
SHE WENT THAT WAY
THAT WAY
THE FUCK IS WRONG WITH YOU!?
HEHEHE

LEONA WHERE ARE YOU?!
LEONA?
LEONA! PLEASE STOP HIDING THIS S NOT FUNNY!

SHE'S TRYING TO FREAK ME OUT ON PURPOSE I KNOW IT
SHE IS LURKING IN THE DEPHTS OF SOME DARK CORNER, WAITING FOR ME TO WALK BY AND THEN SHE'LL JUMP ON ME!
I'M TOO AFRAID TO MOVE INTO ANY DIRECTION!

OKAY, I'M OVER-REACTING AGAIN, I NEED TO CALM DOWN AND CARR-
NAK?
WHY ARE YOU HERE ALONE IN THE DARKNESS?
AAAARGH
YOU DON'T LOOK SO GOOD S THERE ANYTHING CAN DO FOR YOU?
HRRRHKH...

AH, I'M FINE THANK YOU, JUST GOT A BIT STARTLED, THAT'S ALL...
IN THAT CASE, MAY I RECOMMEND THIS POTION, IT'LL SCRAMBLE YOUR BRAIN SO YOU CAN'T BE AFRAID
WHAT??
THERE'S ONE WHEEL AND REALLY NICE COLOURS I'M NOT QUITE SURE WHAT'S THE FUNCTION BUT ISN'T IT PRETTY!
PIP
HONK
TOOT
UH WELL...
OR PERHAPS YOU'D LIKE THIS GREENISH CLOTH, IT'S ONLY A LITTLE WORN AND IT SUITS YOUR RED HAIR NICELY!
I DON'T THINK I HAVE ANY USE.
NO WAIT WE ALSO HAVE STUFF THAT ACTUALLY WORKS, THIS CATNIP-
PIP PIP
BUT I DON'T NEED ANYTHING!!
ESPECIALLY THAT!
JUST CAME TO LOOK FOR MY FRIEND!
TOOT
PIP
I'M BAD AT SELLING THINGS, AREN'T I...
TOOT

DON'T EVEN WORK HERE
AHH THIS TOUGH CHICK AT THE COUNTER
ON THE OTHER HAND AM LOOKING FOR A JOB AT THE MOMENT. I JUST WANTED TO TEST MY SALESMAN KILLS WHEN SAW YOU
WHY ARE YOU MOCKING ME? DON'T EVEN KNOW YOU
SHOULD BE GOING BYE
OH COME ON, THROW ME A BONE HERE ANYTHING!
DRUNK?
HAHA I AM LIKE THIS!

ACTUALLY LET'S SAY WE'VE BEEN LIVING FAR AWAY FROM CIVILIZATION FOR A LONG TIME...
NOW THAT I'M ... MY OLD JOB CAN'M MOVE AROUND MORE FREELY
I'M ACTUALLY ABLE TO SEE THE REST OF THE WORLD, I JUST CAN'T CONTAIN MYSELF!
I WANT TO TALK TO EVERYONE AND SEE EVERYTHING AND... AH, THERE'S JUST SO MUCH TO DO AND LIVE FOR!
YEAH OK, THAT'S NICE
HEY COLIN!
TOKA BY THE WAY AND YOU ARE?
ENA
THAT'S KIND OF A GIRLY NAME
I WAS TALKING TO HER!
YOU HAVE MADE A NEW FRIEND
NO!
LET ME APOLOGIZE FOR MY FRIEND HE'S A BIT RUDE SOMETIMES
HE'S A LIGHT
HMMH!

SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOUR LOVELY CONVERSATION
BUT WE REALLY NEED TO LEAVE NOW, RIGHT?
YEAH SURE, I ALREADY GOT WHAT I WANTED ANYWAY.
OKAY BYE NOW! HAVE A NICE LIFE AND ALL!
BUT WA
FORE YOU GO...
JUST TELL ME ANY JOB THAT I SHOULD GIVE A TRY AT..?
I KNOW, JUST-
LISTEN TO YOUR HEART OR SOMETHING, AND I KNOW YOU'LL BE DOING JUST FINE!

THAT'S
NOW I'LL BE SURE TO FIND MY WAY IN LIFE!
INDEED A WONDERFUL ADVICE! THANK YOU!
GOOD LUCK WITH THAT THEN!
SOMEBODY'S CAT HAD A TERRIBLE FRIGHT
WHAT
LET'S JUST LEAVE
FINE BUT I'LL BUY THIS FIRST.

WHAT
YOU'LL SEE WHEN WE GET BACK HOME
HEYY EXCUSE ME!
HOW MUCH WOULD THIS BE?
LETS SEE
EH!
SPLASH

FISHSTICKS! NO SPLASHING AROUND!!
PAM!!
WE'VE BEEN THROUGH THIS YOU DAMNED FOUL SMELLING SCALEFACE, WHENEVER IN THE -
OOH DO YOU HAVE A PET-
...OH.
HURFFFHHH RRHHRRUFFF
-OH, I MEAN... THAT IS.. QUITE - WELL FED DOG!
NO HE'S JUST
WELL MAYBE HE'S PART BULLTERRIER, I DON'T REALLY KNOW.
A CORGI. CORGIS ARE LIKE THAT
LIKE BATHING?
AN PET NAME?

YOU KNOW WHAT? IF I SELL THIS TO YOU WITH ONLY 2 EUROS, WOULD THAT BE OKAY?
SOUNDS GOOD TO ME!
HERE YOU
I HAVE TO ASK YOU TO LEAV I HAVE TO.... WASH... MY DOG YOU KNOW..
WE'RE HAVING A SIESTA ANYWAY
OKAY...?
ANYWAY IT'S A WONDER... LITTLE SHOP YOU HAVE HERE WE'LL BE SURE TO VISIT YOU AGAIN!
AH SURE

K-CONK
.....
PFFFTH!
HAHA! OH MY GOD! WHAT JUST HAPPENED?
THOSE TWO HAD INHALED TOO MUCH DUST I TOLD YOU OLD PLACES LIKE THAT ALWAYS HAVE SOME SHADY FOLKS
AND THAT FAT DOG IN THE TUB!
OH, YOU'RE BRAVE NOW, THOUGH YOU WERE PANICKING JUST A MINUTE AGO
WELL I DIDNAAH!!
GET ANY CHANGE?
SORRY FOR MY FRIEND, HE GET'S STARTLED REALLY EASILY HERE'S SOME COFFEE MONEY FOR YOU
THANK YOU...

DON'T SWEAT IT. YOU WOULDN'T BE COLIN IF YOU WEREN'T A NERVOUS WRECK
WHEN IF PEOPLE SUDDENLY JUMP UP TO MY GRILL LIKE THAT I CAN'T HELP IT...
LET'S GO HOME MIKOS PROBABLY ON HIS WAY ALREADY
AND HE SAID HE'S BRINGING THE STUFF FOR PANCAKES!
AHH YES!

HELLOOO MIKO!
HOI!
SORRY WE'RE LATE!
I WONDERED IF I HAD THE WRONG ADDRESS WHEN THERE WAS NO SIGN OF YOU
I HEARD YOU'RE MAKING PANCAKES! IS THAT TRUE?
YEAH BUT I DON'T HAVE MILK
BROUGHT JAM ESPECIALLY FOR YOU SINCE I KNOW YOU HAVE A SWEET TOOTH
YEA YOU HAVEN'T EVEN SEEN MY FLAT YET! FOR REAL YOU'RE NOT EVEN SUPPOSED TO LIVE HERE COZ THESE ARE LIKE OLD FACTORY ATTIC-SPACES OR SOMETHING

MY DAD ARRANGED THIS FLAT FOR ME BUT I GOTTA KEEP QUIET ABOUT LIVING HERE.

AT LEAST YOU GET TO LIVE IN THE OLD TOWN INSTEAD OF SOME STUDENT SUBURB!

AND WAIT TILL YOU SEE

...

ROUSK ROUSK ROUS—

¡AARGHH GABRIELEE!!
GODDAMN IT! TORE ALL THE CAT FOOD ALL AROUND THE ROOM!
THESE WE N A CUPBOARD HOW .N FUCK DID HE GET THE DOOR OPEN!?
COLIN, HELP ME CLEAN. GO GET DUST PAN AND BRUSH.
NO, WHY ME? CAT FOOD SMELLS HORRIBLE.
BECAUSE MIKO'S MAKING PANCAKES!
HAVE A QUICK OL AT YOUR APARTMENT
YEAH GO AHEAD
GEEZ YOU DOOF THAT'S A BROOM!
WELL I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE ETYMOLOGY OF CLEANING EQUIPMENT, THE HOUSEKEEPER TAKES CARE OF THAT AT OUR PLACE!

OK HOLD THAT GODDAMN LOOP IN PLACE WHILE I PRUSHING THEX PEUCTS...
WELL I WOULD IF YOU DIDN'T BLAST THEM ALL OVER !?
THIS SIDE UP
HM?
WOW LEONA, THAT YOU DID ON PURPOSE! NOW I'VE GOT THOSE FOODBITS IN MY HAIR !!
WELL THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR BEING A KLUTZ HAHA!
HEHE

STOP TOSSING THOSE PIPS NOW!
TAKE IT LIKE A MAN! HAHAA!!
CAN YOU PLEASE NOT FIGHT, EVEN GABBY IS SCARED.....
EH?
WELL BUT-
HOW ABOUT MAKE SOME PANCAKES NOW?
YEAH!!
THOUGH I GUESS NEED TO DO THE DISHES FIRST...
PANCAKES!
AHH!

AAH, THE BEST PANCAKES!
I'M GLAD YOU LIKE.
HEY WHAT ABOUT THAT SHEET OF PAPER YOU BOUGHT?
AH!
MAN, MIKO, WE WERE WALKING AROUND THE SHOP STREETS AND WE WOUND UP IN SOME WEIRD PAWN-SHOP AND THERE WERE SOME INSANE DUDES THERE, AND THEN I FOUND THIS TOTALLY AMAZING POSTER!
OH MY, WELL LET'S SEE THIS DISCOVERY
WAIT UP, I PUT IT SOMEWHERE IN HERE...
ARE YOU READY??

TADAA!

SO? HOW DO YOU LIKE IT?
YOU- YOU REALLY PAID FOR THAT? IT IS ABSOLUTELY HORRIBLE!
OH JOLIN
I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T APPRECIATE, BUT I'LL JUST PUT IT UP ON THE WALL
WHAT IS IT EVEN. SOME CONFOUNDED MONKEY-CAT-SPIDER? THAT HAS 13 HANDS?
SPLAT!
WELL THAT'S KIND OF A CHAOTIC PICTURE IN IT'S OWN WAY...
MAN GIVE IT A REST ALREADY!

THAT PICTURE DISTURBS ME! I DON'T WANT TO VISIT HERE ANYMORE IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING LIKE THAT ON YOUR WALL.
GAWD COLIN STOP. LOOK, THERE'S AN ARM COMING OUT OF IT'S ASS, HOW CAN THAT BE SCARY?
UH
WELL, OKAY, I GUESS MAYBE IT'S A LITTLE OFFPUTTING..
WONDER IF THERE'S A SIGNATURE THERE?
MAYBE IT'S SOME KIND OF A WORK OF ART!
10-48. 84-76 PRAGUE RACE
AT LEAST THE PAPER IS REALLY OLD, IT MIGHT EVEN BE VALUABLE!
NOW YOU'RE TALKING!

HUH SAYS NOTHING TO ME.
FASCINATING! MINE I'LL BE LAVING, I'LL HAVE AN ARLY MORNING TOMORROW
I'M HIP OUT WITH HIM...
HUGGG
THANKS FOR COMING WE NEED TO HAVE SOME PROPER HANGOUTS BEFORE THE HOLIDAYS ARE OVER!
I'M NOT HUGGING YOU, YOU'RE STUPID.
WHERE'D GABBY GO! GAAABRIEEEE
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT..
OK WE'RE LEAVING! BYE!
BUH-BYE!

CHAPTER 2

HUMAN HUNTING

PURRR
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NAPI
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PURRRRR
WHOOPS, IT'S
PAST MIDDAY

MMM
NAPU NAP NAP
GOOD MORNING TO YOU TOO FURBALL
SUR
PRRRINGG PRRING
EXCUSE ME... I NEED TO, UH, TAKE THIS PHONE CALL...
LEONA! HOW COME YOU ARE CALLING NOW, DN'T I TELL YOU I VE GOT A TUTOR SEMINAR TODAY ?
HEHE YOU TOOK THE CALL EVEN THOUGH YOU SAW IT WAS ME.

WELL. WELL, THAT IS. UM, YES...
ANYWAYS LET'S HANG OUT AGAIN TODAY? I'VE GOT NOTHING TO DO AND I'LL BE BORED TO DEATH OTHERWISE
OH, YES THAT'S OKAY I WON'T BE HERE FOR LONG.
GET MILO WHILE YOU'RE COMING, TOO.
OH YEAH, SURE
HIS PHONE STILL DOESN'T WORK. I CAN'T CALL HIM
MMM.
WELL, MY LECTURE JUST ENDED. I NEED TO ASK SOMEONE IF I MISSED SOMETHING
THE WOLF

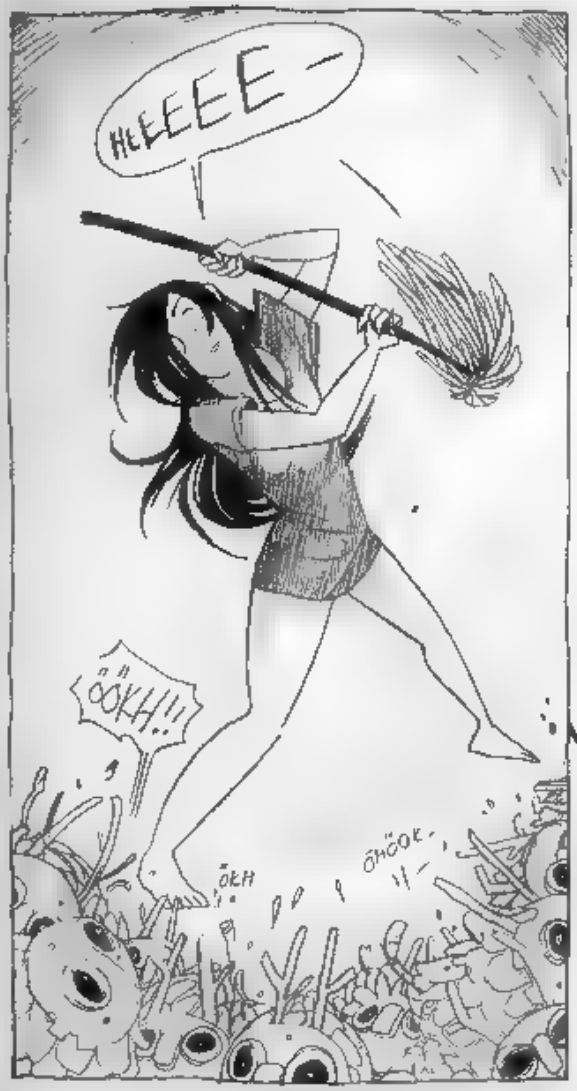
DID YOU JUST WAKE UP? YOU SOUND LIKE IT.
HAH YEA
I HAVE NO SCHOOL OR JOB, SEE, SO I HAVE NO NEED TO GET UP EARLY
BUT GABBY WALKED ON ME AND THAT WOKE ME UP
WELL IT'S GOOD HE'S LOOKING AFTER YOU AT LEAST YOU'D SLEEP AROUND THE CLOCK OTHERWISE
YEAH GABRIELE IS MY BIOLOGICAL ALARM! THERE HE SITS, THAT BUGGER, STARING AT THE WALL LIKE CATS ALWAYS DO, LIKE THEY'RE SEEING IMAGINARY FRIENDS.
SP
SKRIT
SOMETHING WE DON'T SEE...
SOMETHING ....
„LEONA..?
SKRATS
SKR-R-R-RITS
SRRTKST

WHAT THE FUCKING SHIT! SOME KINDA SMALL CRITTERS ARE PUSHING THROUGH MY WALL!
SKRITSS
PUK
ÖKH
WHAT THE HELL ARE THOSE?
DO YOU HAVE A VERMIN PROBLEM IN YOUR FLAT? HOHO
JESUS CHRIST, THEY'RE HEADING FOR THE KITCHEN IN A STRAIGHT LINE! SERIOUSLY WHAT'S HAPPENING IN HERE!
ÖÖK
ÖÖK
ÖH
TÖÖT
GEK
ÖÖK
NOK

THEY'RE OPENING MY KITCHENS CUPBOARD! THIS IS UNREAL!!
AND NOW THEY'RE EATING GABI'S FOOD! DAMNED ROACHES!
UH WHAT?
THAT EXPLAINS HOW GABRIELE GOT A HOLD OF THE GRUBS EARLIER!!
WHAT ARE YOU GOING ON ABOUT, SURELY COCKROACHES CAN'T OPEN CUPBOARDS...
L- LA... YOU BACK SOON!
LEON—!!
KLAP!!
I NEED TO GET RID OF THESE GROSS VERMIN...
SFT

ALRIGHT YOU LITTLE SLIVERBITS, WHATEVER YOU ARE..

GET READY FOR THE RIDE OF YOUR LIVES.
OK-


HEEEEE-
ÖÖKH!!!
ÖKH
ÖHÖÖK-

-HO!!
WHAP!

EW!!
YEAH GOOD GET BACK TO WHERE YOU CAME FROM!
SKRATS!
SKRITS SKRRTS
AND NO NEED TO COME AGAIN!

W-WHAM KRASH!!
KLING
PAM!!
RYSKISL
AA HOW RUDE..
TO SLAM THE PHONE IN MY EAR LIKE THAT..
HEY, ANJA!
HM?
DID THEY SAY ANYTHING IMPORTANT TOWARDS THE END?
WELL, NOT REALLY. EXCEPT SOME PEOPLE WERE KIND OF ANNOYED BY YOU LEAVING
WHAT, WHY!
WELL, IT'S THE SAME OLD STORY..
THAT YOU THINK YOU'RE ALLOWED TO COME AND GO HOW YOU PLEASE BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT MONEY AND YOUR MOM OWNS HALF THE CITY AND ALSO THAT YOU'RE A SPOILED BRAT WHO PROBABLY ONLY GOT TO THIS SCHOOL WITH MONEY.

I DON'T THINK LIKE THAT, OF COURSE!
WHAT THE HECK. EVERYTHING ALWAYS COMES DOWN TO MY PARENTS' MASSIVE AMOUNTS OF MONEY! JUST TOOK ONE GOSH DARNED PHONE CALL!
COLIN, DON'T TAKE IT PERSONALLY SOME PEOPLE JUST ARE LIKE THAT
ANYWAYS, EVERYONE ELSE KEEPS RUNNING OUT TO SMOKE AND WHO KNOWS WHAT SO WHY COULDN'T!
ARE YOU REALLY FINE NOW?
YEAH YEAH JUST NEED TO GO SEE A FRIEND.
504 KO
I GUESS WE'LL SEE TOMORROW AT THE SEMINAR AGAIN..?
YES SURE
PHP

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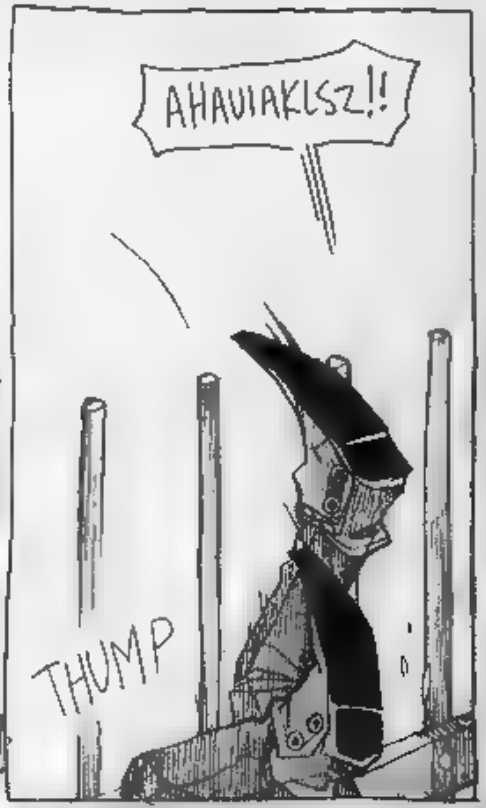
BLAST IT, SINCE WHEN DID THIS DOOR HAVE A CODE ??

AND THAT BLOCKHEAD DOESN'T EVEN HAVE A PHONE I COULD CALL-

OF ALL THE...


AHAUIAKLSZ!!
THUMP

DAMNABLE DAMN!
HOI!! MIKO!
KOPS!
COME ON, HATCH OPEN, ON THE DOUBLE!
EH?
KRIK
...EH?
MOST WONDERFUL DAY TO YOU TOO, GOOD SIR!

COLIN! WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN OUR BACK YARD! HOW DID YOU GET THERE?
WELL I SCALED THE FENCE AS THE DOOR IS IMPASSABLE
YOU CLIMBED THE FENCE! IS THAT TRUE HAHA!
YES, YES! NOW HELP ME IN THROUGH THE WINDOW, I'M NOT GOING TO WADE THROUGH THE SHRUBBERY AGAIN!
HEHEHEH! SORRY, I CAN'T HELP IT IMAGINING YOU ROMPING IN THERE!
MIKO! FOCUS!
AHAHAAOUH
HE!!
AAH YOU DOVE RIGHT AT MY TUMMY.
YOU'RE GOOD TO LAND ON, SEE, SINCE YOU'RE SOFT LIKE THAT
OY!
PAT PAT
BUT REALLY, I'VE HAD EXCEPTIONALLY TROUBLING DAY.
HORRIBLE, A SACK OF BONES STRAIGHT INTO THE GUTS, OW DAMN...

EVERYTHING WAS GOING TO HELL, ANJA EDUCATED ME AGAIN ABOUT HOW MY CLASSMATES HATE ME AND-

DO YOU THINK I'M FAT?

WHA-?

AM I FAT?

NO YOU'RE NOT! WHAT THE DEVIL!?

WE... YOU SAID...

MIKO, YOU'VE GOT, UH, A LITTLE POT BELLY, IS ALL, AND ANYWAYS 90% OF YOUR MASS IS MUSCLE IN THE FIRST PLACE!

WELL I DON'T KNOW... WHEN I'M SURROUNDED BY STICK FIGURES LIKE YOU GUYS I SOMETIMES START FEELING SO WIDE...

REALLY, YOU CAN STOP— OH, LEONA IS CALLING!

HELLO! UH WHAT? YES, HE'S HERE, I JUST ARRIVED... OKAY, I'LL PASS TO HIM...

HOOOJO

SHE WANTS TO TALK TO YOU.

HELLO?

AAH MIKO! YOU KNOW ALL ABOUT DIFFERENT MEMBERS OF THE ANIMAL KINGDOM, RIGHT? BECAUSE I'VE GOT A CRITTER SO WEIRD IN HERE I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT IT COULD BE!

WHAT DO THEY LOOK LIKE?
PINECONES? AND ROACHES? YEAH, MAYBE NEED TO SEE THEM LIVE..
SFT
ALRIGHT WE BE COMING OK
DAILY GASP
HOMELESS MAN MURDERED BRUTALLY IN OLD TOWN
YOU MEAN SLEEP OVER? WELL I'LL ASK

HEY STOP HIDING BEHIND THAT PAPER, SILLY!

NO, I'M LOOKING AT THESE NEWS CLOSE-RANGE!

EH, FOR REAL, COLIN, I'VE BEEN SURE THAT YOU HAVE A THING FOR LEONA FOR A GOOD WHILE NOW.

OJOJOOOO OOGRAHHH

IS IT... THAT OBVIOUS...

WELL YEAH

EVERYONE CAN TELL THINGS LIKE THAT A MILE OFF EXCEPT LEONA BECAUSE SHE JUST DOESN'T UNDERSTAND FEELINGS AND SUCH LIKE...

THIS IS SO HORRIBLY EMBARRASSING! I'LL KILL MYSELF!!

YOU'RE ACTING LIKE A WEE TEEN. PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER AND TELL HER

NO WAY NEVER!!

PICK SOME FLOWERS ON THE WAY THERE!

OR WRITE A POEM GIRLS DIG POEMS?

MILO STOP IT! AND IN ANY CASE LEONA WOULD PROBABLY PREFER A ROAD KILL AS A GIFT...

COLIN! HOW ABOUT WE STAY THE NIGHT?

I CAN'T... I, I HAVE AN EARLY MORNING AGAIN.

OH

OKAY

HE SAYS HE SUPPOSEDLY CAN'T

I GUESS WE'LL FIT IN THAT BIG BED OF YOURS, LEONA

NOW THAT WE DON'T NEED TO LAY OUT MATTRESSES FOR THREE

THE TWO OF US

CHEEK TO CHEEK.

UM! A-ACTUALLY I SUPPOSE I COULD JOIN YOU AFTER ALL, IT'S NOT THAT EARLY OF A MORNING...

WHAT DO YOU KNOW, HE IS COMING IN THE END

YUP! SEE YA, BYE!

COLIN

I WONDER IF YOU'D HAVE SOMETHING TO TELL ME?

INDEED SO! TAKE A LOOK AT THIS HEADLINE, MY GOODNESS! AND RIGHT AFTER LEONA MOVED INTO OLD TOWN, NO LESS!

THEN DIG A CORPSE FROM A DUMPSTER OR SOMETHING BUT WE'RE GOING NOW COME ALONG —
PLEASE DON'T TELL LLONA... NOT BECAUSE IT WOULD BE EMBARRASING, BUT . .
MIKO, I -!!!
?
I JUST DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO CHANGE. YOU PEOPLE REALLY ARE MY ONLY FRIENDS AND I'M AFRAID OF OUR RELATIONSHIP GOING BAD BECAUSE OF THIS STUPID CRUSH. .
. . .
. . .
WELL, OKAY I'LL TRY . .
HUHU~
WHAT · WHAT DO YOU MEAN TRY IT'S EITHER YES OR NAY!
AND WHAT WAS THAT GRIN!!
MIKO IS GOD
HAHAA WHAT A BEAUTIFUL AUTUMN DAY!
BY THE WAY, I BROUGHT A NIGHTIE FOR YOU TOO, COLIN, SO WE DON'T NEED TO STOP BY YOUR PLACE!
STOP RUNNING AWAY RIGHT NOW! AND STOP TRYING TO CHANGE THE TOPIC OU DARN POOPYPANTS!!

MAN, YOU'RE UGLY...
WITH A FLAT MUG LIKE THAT...
TÒK
KOP KOP!
AH!
HOPP
SURE GOT HERE FAST!
HO-HO!
WHY DO YOU GUYS LOOK HALF-DEAD?
WE RAN THE WHOLE WAY HERE LIKE MAD, HEHEHE

AAAAHH I'M OUT OF BREATH... BLASTED MIKO, RUNS LIKE SOME SORT OF A RABBIT...
SINCE WHEN DID YOU HAVE A COUCH IN THE KITCHEN?
ROMPS
. DRAGGED .T OVER FOR THE HELL OF IT JUST NOW BECAUSE I WAS BORED
GOOD GRIEF, WHAT EVER ARE YOU...
WHY DID YOU RUN LIKE THAT
WELL MIKO, ANNOYED ME AND ER .
TUI TUI LITTLE BUG, COME OUT!
YOU GET PISSED SO EASY, THAT'S WHY YOU'RE SO FUN TO TEASE ♡
ŌHŌ
AAAHH!!
OHH MY GOD OH MY GOD.

UM IS EVERYTHING ALRIGHT? WHAT HAPPENED?
HAHA LANK DID IT BITE YOU OR SOMETHING?
NO, BUT...
THEY'RE MISSING THEIR WHOLE LEG!!
UHH...
JUST LOOK! POOR BABY CAN'T EVEN STAND UP!
POOR MOMO! I FEEL MORE SORRY FOR YOU THAN FOR THE BUG.
PAT PAT
LET'S GET IT A NICER NEST AND GIVE IT SOME AT FOOD THAT'S WHAT THEY SEEMED TO LIKE
COUIN, CAN YOU GET A SOCK FROM THE BEDROOM FOR PADDING?
BUHUHUH
SURE
LET'S GIVE IT A SILLY NAME
DO YOU WANT A SPECIFIC KIND OF SOC—

HOW ABOUT... TAAVETI, IACOBUS AMONT!
WHERE DID YOU GET THAT ONE... ISN'T THAT A BIT BIG OF A NAME FOR SUCH A TINY CREATURE..?
WELL WE CAN CALL IT TINY TIL FOR SHORT.
HHH TINY TIL ♥
. . .
ISONA, WHY HAVE YOU BEEN CUTTING THAT NEW POSTER?
SAY WHAT, HUH
WELL THAT JULY STORM OF HANDS!.
WHAAAT, I DON'T THINK I DID ANYTHING TO T
PEEK

I DON'T BELIEVE T THE MIDDLE PART IS MISSING!
HOW COME YOU HAVEN'T NOTICED! YOU'VE BEEN HERE ALL DAY!
WELL I HAVEN'T BEEN LOOKING AT THE WALLS WITH THE ROACHES RAMPAGING IN MY FLAT!
DEAR GOD WHAT DO WE DO NOW.?
DON'T ASK ME YOU LOON! DAGNABBIT!
OH SHIT OH SHIT OH SHIT!
UM.. WHY ARE WE SCARED AGAIN?
I DUNNO WHY?
WELL THINK OF WHAT HORRIBLE THINGS A POSTER LIKE THAT COULD DO! MAYBE EVEN- DARE I SAY T- PAPERCUTS!
HEHEHE!
PRFFFTH!!
NO REALLY SOMEONE WILL GO AND REMOVE IT FROM THE WALL THIS INSTANT!
YEA RIGHT, YOU GO!
YEAH WHAT ARE YOU AFRAID OF, IT'S JUST AN OLD PICTURE!

SORRY TO RUIN YOUR FUNTIMES, BUT I'M REALLY HUNGRY!
I WAS TRAINING THE WHOLE MORNING AND I HAVEN'T HAD DINNER YET...
YOUR TUMMY IS A MOOD KILLER.
SORRY I NEED TO COOL SOMETHING RIGHT NOW
I GUESS I SHOULD STRIP THIS FROM THE WALL THEN.
LEONA, DO YOU MIND IF I USE WHATEVER'S IN YOUR FRIDGE?
GO AHEAD!
WOW THERE'S AN INDEPENDENT ECOSYSTEM IN HERE.
SKRITS
HAHA YUP!
POTATOES, A SINGLE ONION. THESE ARE THE ONLY SUPPLIES. NOT SPROUTING GREEN HAIR.
I CAN GO SHOPPING IF YOU'D LIKE
THAT'D BE NICE! I WAS THINKING I'D MAKE FISH SOUP
SUP COUSIN!
RGHH

I'LL NEED AT LEAST TWO CARROTS AND A LEMON
AND LOTS OF ALLSPICE BAY LEAVES CHIVES AND DILL, AND HALF A KILOGRAM OF FISH
AND SOME BUTTER CHEESE!
HOW CAN ALL THIS GO INTO A SINGLE SOUP
THERE'S NO SCRIMPING WHEN YOU COOK WITH LOVE! AND GET SOME THYME TOO
ARE YOU SURE YOUR ORDER ISN'T A BIT LIBERAL JUST BECAUSE I AM THE ONE PAYING..
WHUM
COME ON NOW WE'LL ALL BE EATING THIS TOMORROW AS WELL!
WEIRD, I CAN'T FIND THE DETAILED MIDDLE PART!
MAYBE GABBY TOOK IT
OR MAYBE THE INK WAS SOMEHOW A DIFFERENT KIND AND IT, UH... OXIDIZED OR SOMETHING WHEN IT CAME IN CONTACT WITH AIR AND THEN IT FLAKED OFF...
MM
COLIN, WAIT UP, I'M COMING TOO!

I'LL JUST CHANGE MY CLOTHES REAL QUICK!
OH OKAY!
WHUMP
ARE YOU SNIFFING THE POTATOES? WOULD YOU THINK THEY'RE NICE?
MIKO.
DO YOU FIND THIS SITUATION PECULIAR?
ISN'T EVERYTHING MORE OR LESS PECULIAR WHEN IT HAS TO DO WITH EONA?
WELL YES, BUT I DON'T KNOW, YOU MIGHT SEE WHAT I MEAN IF YOU HAD BEEN TO THE STORE WHERE WE BOUGHT THE POSTER

MM SO WHAT WAS WEIRD ABOUT THE STORE
WELL THAT WAS THE THING, I CAN'T PUT MY FINGER ON IT.
TWO THERE WERE TWO EXTREMELY SHADY CHARACTERS OTHER ONE FOLLOWED ME AROUND AND YAMMERED ON ABOUT SOME THING COMPLETELY DAFT
AND THE OPPRESSING MOOD WAS PRESENT ALL THE TIME, AS IF SOMETHING HORRIBLE WERE ABOUT TO HAPPEN
GOOD THING WE GOT OUT OF THERE QUICKLY
THOUGH NOW I FEEL LIKE THE MORE BIZ ATMOSPHERE FOLLOWED US HERE

OR THEN I'M JUST BEING PARANOID.
AS USUAL.
A LITTLE
SO YOU'RE WORRIED ABOUT EONA?
THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU CARE ABOUT SOMEONE SPECIAL AN AWFUL LOT!
OH, GIVE IT A REST ALREADY!
I'M JUST WORRIED WHAT WILL BECOME OF ME IF YOU TWO START DATING?
PROMISE YOU'LL ADOPT ME AND WE CAN BE A FAMILY TOGETHER
BUT I'M SERIOUS! I DON'T WANT TO BE LEFT ALONE
AND I WAS SERIOUS WHEN I SAID THAT I DO NOT WISH TO TALK ABOUT THIS MATTER
LLLRRGHH!

WELL, YOU HAVE TO TELL HER ONE DAY!
NO, I DON'T DO YOU REALLY THINK ANY GOOD WOULD COME OUT OF THAT? LEONA, SHE'D JUST LAUGH AT ME AND I'D BE TOO ASHAMED TO SEE HER EVER AGAIN.
I'D RATHER LOCK MYSELF INTO THE DEEPEST, DARKEST AND FILTHIEST BASEMENT AND ROT IN THERE THAN EVER SEE THE DAYLIGHT AGAIN.
LOL
SPIDERS WILL MAKE THEIR NEST IN MY HAIR AND LEZUA HOLD RATS WILL EAT MY TOES OFF AND MY SCREAMS WILL ECHO IN THE LOWER UNDER THE CITY FOR ETERNITY
WHY ARE YOU SO CERTAIN HE'LL TURN YOU DOWN?
PLÖRTS
BECAUSE I'M A PATHETIC WIMP!
OH FOR FUCK'S SAKE LISTEN TO YOURSELF FOR A WHILE
YOU SHOULD SERIOUSLY DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT CONFIDENCE OF YOURS NOT ONLY SO YOU COULD GET SOME GIRL, BUT FOR YOUR OWN MENTAL WELL BEING
YEAH I KNOW BUT SOMETIMES IT JUST TOO HARD TO EVEN TRY WHEN EVERYONE KEEPS PUTTING YOU DOWN

THAT'S WHY I CAN'T QUITE UNDERSTAND WHY YOU'D HAVE A THING FOR LEONA, I MEAN...
ISN'T SHE THE ONE WHO PICKS ON YOU THE MOST?
WE...
UH
IT'S REALLY STUPID BUT... I'M NOT SURE...
DON'T KNOW...
HEY! I JUST GOT THE MOST BRILLIANT IDEA!
YOU SHOULD DO SOMETHING RADICAL!
IMMEDIATELY..
EH??
IF YOU SAY YOU'RE A PATHETIC WIMP DO SOMETHING OPPOSITE TO BOOST YOUR EGO A B T! AND THEN WE'LL SEE HOW LEONA WILL REACT TO IT!
UM
DRINK ALCOHOL! DITCH SCHOOL! STEAL APPLES FROM SOMEONE'S YARD!
BUT THAT'S WRONG
WE'LL FIGURE OUT SOMETHING THAT'S FITS YOU BETTER
I REALLY DON'T SEE HOW TAKING SOMEONES PROPERTY ILLEGALLY WOULD DO ANY GOOD
ALRIGHT COLIN, I'M READY TO HIT THE ROAD

LET'S GET GOING RIGHT AWAY SO WE CAN GET BACK SOME DAY TOO
SURE THING
HEY WHY ARE YOU STILL CARRYING THAT POSTER AROUND
I'M RETURNING IT BACK TO THAT STORE!
WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO DO THAT
BECAUSE XX NOBODY'S OBVIOUSLY TORN APART..
AND I WANT MY MONEY BACK
SPLAT
AND HOW DID YOU PLAN TO GET A REFUND FROM A BARNED POSTER? I DON'T THINK THOSE INDIVIDUALS WOULD BE THE TYPE WHO'D BE PLEASED OF THAT SORT OF A REQUEST!
JUURGH COLIN!
I KNOW IT ONLY COST TWO EUROS BUT SOME PEOPLE HAVE TO SCRAPE THEIR MONEY WHERE EVER THEY CAN YOU KNOW?
AH I DIDN'T MEAN ONLY -
!

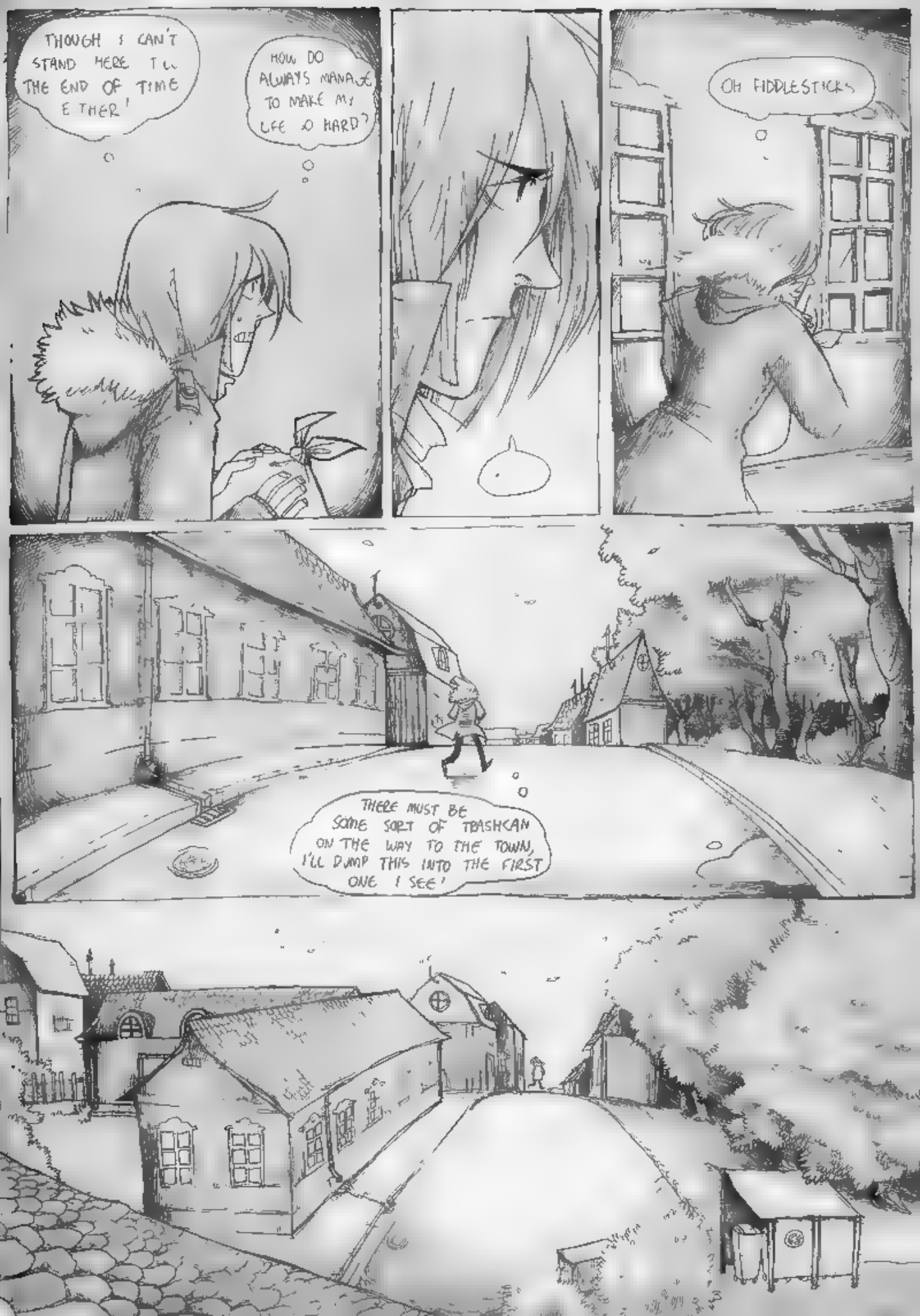
WHAT I DO MEAN IS THAT YOU SHOULDN'T WORRY OF THIS TASK, THE LEAST
I CAN TAKE THE POSTER THERE IN YOUR STEAD AND NEGOCIATE ABOUT THE MATTER OF THE REFUND MYSELF, SINCE I AM GOING TO THE GROCERY STORE ANYWAY, IF THAT'S FINE WITH YOU!
...
WHAT!
WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU DOING SUDDENLY ACTING LIKE A DAMN KNIGHT
OOOOH FAIR MAIDEN WORRY NOT FOR I SHALL SAVE YOU!
LEONAAA!
I ONLY WANTED TO HELP YOU, OKAY!
FINE, I'LL TAKE IT THEN!
NOW GET GOING ALREADY
COLIN WAIT-

CAN YOU TAKE THE TRASH OUT WITH YOU?
OH SURE
KNOCK UP!
I'LL UNDERSTAND IF YOU DON'T MANAGE TO GET A REFUND...
BUT IF YOU TRY TO CHEAT
FOR EXAMPLE LIKE TAKING THE MONEY FROM YOUR OWN POCKET I WILL GET MAD
AND I WILL KNOW IF YOU LIE, SO DON'T EVEN TRY!
ISN'T THIS GETTING A BIT OVER THE TOP!?
AND HERE THE TRASH
OH GREAT THAT TOO
AND, UH DON'T LET HER PUT YOU DOWN! I THINK YOUR LITTLE SPEECH WAS REALLY CUTE!
OCCOOH BUGGER.
HOW ABOUT WE FORGET THAT EVER HAPPENED

I'LL BE GOING NOW
CREEK
I
THE DOOR
ALREADY

GREAT I'VE NEVER EVEN ONCE IN MY LIFE HAD TO TAKE THE TRASH OUT...
...BUT I'D EXPECT THAT THERE WOULD BE A CONTAINER OF SOME SORT FOR THESE?
AHA

KREEEK
WH.. SANG
WHY IS THIS SO TROUBLESOME..
HOW DO PEOPLE MANAGE TO SURVIVE WITHOUT A HOUSE-MAID?
AND I CAN'T GO BACK INSIDE TO ASK FOR HELP... THAT WOULD BE ABSOLUTELY EMBARRASSING!
OH NO! WHAT IF THEY SEE ME FROM THE WINDOW FIDDLING ABOUT!
MAYBE IF I STAY IN THIS POSITION THEY WON'T NOTICE THAT I STILL HAVE THE BAG OF TRASH WITH ME


THOUGH I CAN'T STAND HERE TIL THE END OF TIME EITHER!
HOW DO I ALWAYS MANAGE TO MAKE MY LIFE SO HARD?
OH FIDDLESTICKS
THERE MUST BE SOME SORT OF TRASHCAN ON THE WAY TO THE TOWN, I'LL DUMP THIS INTO THE FIRST ONE I SEE!

OH.

GRROAANNN
AND THIS USED TO BE SUCH A PEACEFUL AND CALM NEIGHBOURHOOD.
I JUST CANT LEAVE THIS HERE EITHER, LITTERING IS NOT NICE..
AH YES.. EVEN KNEW THE POOR LAD!
HE USED TO ASK FOR CHANGE FROM PEOPLE ON THIS VERY STREET
THEY SAID IN THE NEWS THAT IT APPARENTLY WAS SOME KIND OF A LARGE ANIMAL THAT DID IT.. I MEAN, PIECES OF HIM WERE MISSING! THAT'S SO GROSS!
I FIND IT QUITE HARD TO BELIEVE, WHAT SORT OF BIG WILD ANIMALS COULD MOVE INSIDE THE CITY WITHOUT GETTING NOTICED?
THE MURDER I READ ABOUT AT MIKOS PLACE I HOPE IT WASN'T THE SAME FELLOW I SAW YESTERDAY!

LEONA DOESN'T READ THE NEWS, I HAVE TO TELL HER TO BE CAREFUL AND NOT TO MOVE OUTSIDE AFTER DARK
ON THE OTHER HAND, IF I DO TELL HER, SHE WOULD SURELY RUN OUTSIDE ON THAT VERY SECOND TO LOOK FOR SOME DEADLY BEASTS
UH POOP WHAT SHOULD DO?
IF ONLY SHE WASN'T SO- DAMN THIS WIND! MY HAIR IS GETTING ALL TANGLED!
- OH NO.
M ALREADY HERE

KLAK

I AM INFURIATED INSECT! ALL DOWN 'IN LEAVING ALRIGHT!
RRRR
EVEN SUCH TINY BACTERIA ARE PUTTING ME DOWN.
AND WHERE IS EVERYBODY
HUFF HUFF
...
ISN'T IT A REAL ANIMAL CAVALCADE AROUND HERE.
WHERE MIGHT YOU STRESS BE?
RRRR

JMPH !
KRAK KRTS KRUNTS
THAT'S JUST UNBELIEVABLY GROSS !
THAT DOG IS EVEN WORSE THAN GABRIELE
AND THAT REALLY COUNTS FOR SOMETHI —
CHOMP
TUG!
E-EH?!

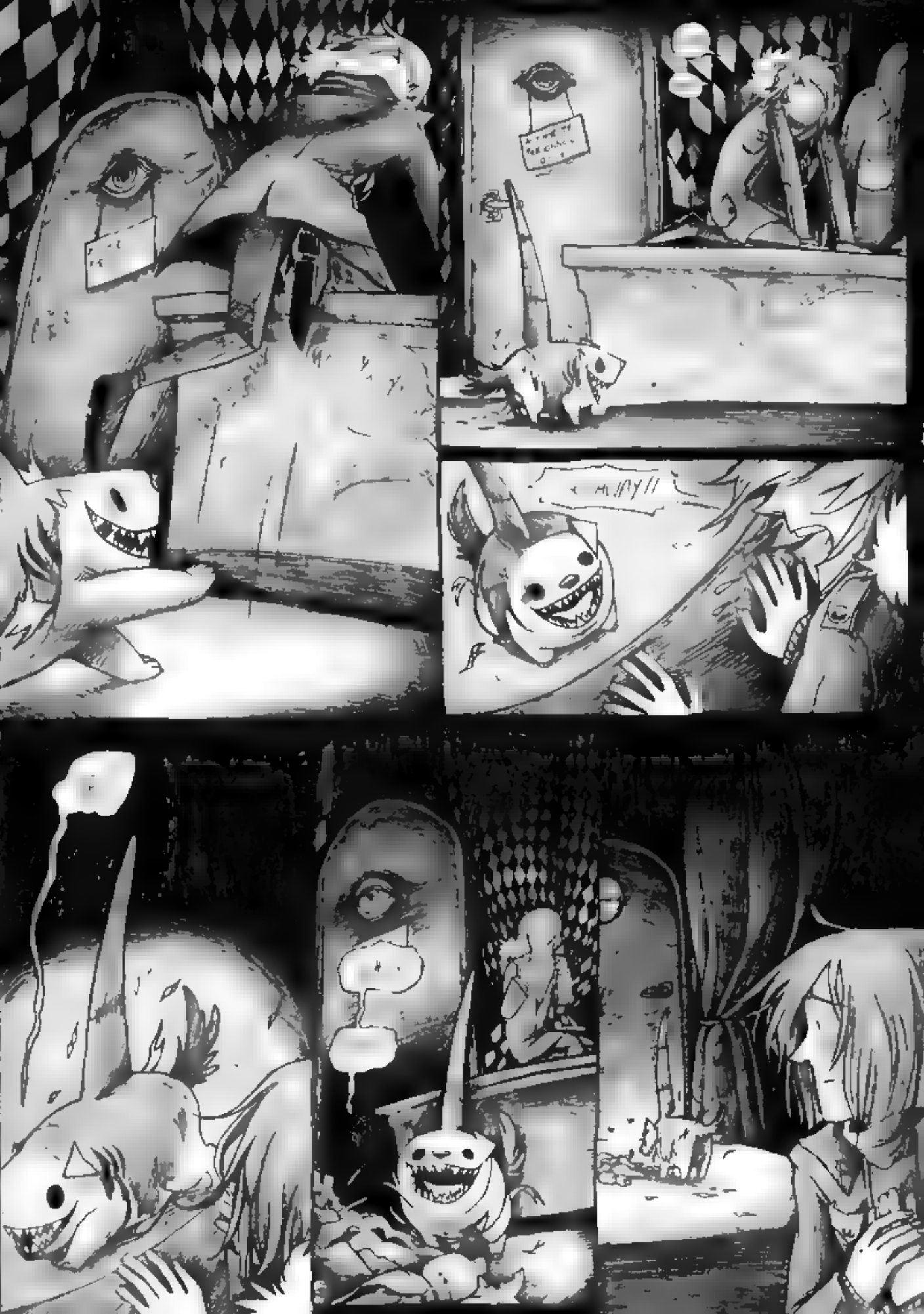
OOD HEAVEN
ORGOT ABOUT
HE RUBB SH
HEY!
LET GO
BAD DO
I'M BEING SERIOUS!!
R-R-R

SKRRIIIPS
ROMPS
HAAAH—WAIT, SHE DOESN'T RECYCLE?! WHAT THE HECK!
PLORPS
...
HHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH

HHHHHHH
HHHH
WHAT ON EARTH
D-DID I BREAK THE DOG!?
OHNONONO!!
HHHHHHH
SKRITS
SKREEE
TUMPF

AAAAHA!!
HHHH

SCOOT
SCOOT
SCOOT
OOPS!
THE DOOR..!
AHHHHHHHHHHH!!!!
AAAHH



RAKS
K-KRUNTS
TAK TAK
JUST
ET THIS SHIT
OVER WITH

I I CAN EXPLAIN!

SFT
FLIP!
?!?
MAAA-
UNH!

KRASH!!
WHY
HAD TO THINK FAST
COLLARBONE
HE'S SEEN FISHSTICKS, WE HAVE TO GET RID OF HIM BEFORE WE GET INTO ANY MORE TROUBLE, THANKS TO YOU
QUICKLY, TAKE THAT THING FROM HIS HAND THEY USE IT FOR CONTACTING EACH OTHER
HEY I KNOW THAT KID!

HE VISITED US YESTERDAY WITH THAT GIRL.
OH RIGHT, BUT CARE TO EXPLAIN HOW HE GOT INSIDE? I TOLD TO LOCK THE DOORS F YOU LEAVE THE STORE!
I GUESS I FORGOT. IT HAPPENS A LOT
YES I'VE NOTICED THAT! TAKING YOU ON THIS SIDE WAS A MISTAKE TO BEGIN WITH!!
M SO DONE WITH YOU –
RAPS!
—EH? WHAT WAS THAT?
HAH! THERE'S A PICTURE OF YOU!
YOU LOOK REALLY PISSED
GIVE ME THAT!!
AHAHA!
I HAVE TO DELETE IT WAIT WHERE ARE ALL THE BUTTONS?
GODS LOOK SO STUPID WITH THIS HAT

I HAVE NO IDEA IF THIS WORKS... HAVE REALLY FALLEN BEH SO BAD?
??
HOHO
WE CHECKED MOBILE PHONES WERE THE SIZE OF A BRICK
ACK!
RÄPS!
AAARGH BLISTERING F.H HEADS!!!
KOPS!
THERE! TIE HIM UP BEFORE HE WAKES UP
I'M GOING TO CHECK ON FISHSTICKS
AH! OH! AN I TAKE THE RED RIBBON WE USE FOR WRAPPING GIFTS?

MH...
JUD YOU...
E-?WHA SURE.
TADAA!
THAT'S A PRETTY GOOD JOB, IF DARE TO SAY SO MYSELF
INDEED
!!!!!!
WHAT IS THIS?! ARE YOU KIDNAPPING ME!!
E, MAYBE DON'T KNOW
MY NAME IS TOSCA BY THE WAY, WE MET YESTERDAY
GOING TO CALL THE POLICE
ARE YOU A REAL RED HEAD?
ARE THOSE FRECKLES?
STAY BACK!!
HY ARE YOU BE N SO NEGATIVE

MAYBE IT'S BECAUSE I'M TIED UP!!
I'M SORRY I CAME INTO YOUR STORE AND MADE YOUR WEIRD PET MOSED BUT PLEASE LET ME GO!
I DON'T... THINK WE CAN DO THAT... PEOPLE ARE A CURIOUS BUNCH, YOU WOULD SURELY TELL SOMEONE, AND SOON ALL KINDS OF "MONSTER HUNTERS" AND WHATNOT WOULD COME AFTER US
WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP A LOW PROFILE HERE
REALLY DON'T CARE ABOUT EXOTIC ANIMALS, I PROMISE NOT TO TELL ANYONE!
PROMISE ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH
BUT WE COULD CUT YOUR TONGUE...
THAT SHOULD DO IT RIGHT?
WAAAHH!!
EXCEPT YOU'D STILL BE ABLE TO WRITE. HOW ABOUT I BREAK YOUR FINGERS TOO?
HAHAHAA JUST KIDDING!
S-SNIF

THE TAIL
OH POOR FISHSTICKS, HIS CAMOUFLAGE WAS SOMEHOW FRACTURED TO THE SAME BRAND
ARE F...
HHF
RED RIBBON?! WE'RE SUPPOSED TO BE TAKEN SERIOUSLY HERE!
BUT ROPE ARE DULL!
HERE, HOLD
OI KID.

S WHAT WE RE
OING TO DO. LL ASK
YOU QUESTIONS, AND YOU
WLL ANSWER ME
REFUSE TO ANSWER
AND I WILL HURT
YOU.
AH!
THE LESS YOU CO-OPERATE,
THE MORE PERMANENT THE
DAMAGE WILL BE
KNARRR
MPLE

HOW DIT

I DONT KNOW ANYTHING THATS GOING ON I SWEAR!

NEVER EVEN WANTED TO STEP INTO YOUR STORE! BUT LEONA, SHE.. I HAD NO OPTION! THE WHOLE DAY HAS BEEN SUCH A TRAINWRECK, I JUST TRIED TO BE HELPFUL AND TAKE THE TRASH OUT BUT I COULDN'T EVEN DO THAT AND IT'S ALL OVER YOUR FLOOR!

THAT ONE DAY I TRIED TO BE SORT OF BRAVE AND FEARLESS BUT NO, JUST HAPPEN TO GET ASSAULTED BY A WALKING FISH THAT WAS A DOG AND THEN I GET PEOPLE THROWN AT ME AND OH, I GUESS I'VE BEEN KIDNAPPED ALSO? IS THIS WHAT COMMON PEOPLE EXPERIENCE DURING THEIR DAILY LIVES BECAUSE IT IS WAY TOO EXCITING FOR ME. GOOD HEAVENS!

AND SHE BOUGHT THAT DAMNED POSTER FROM HERE, AND THE STUPID THING GOT RIPPED OR SOMETHING AND SHE JUST NEEDED THAT REFUND WORTH ONE COIN! SERIOUSLY—

WHAT POSTER?!

I DROPPED IT, IT'S SOMEWHERE HERE I DON'T KNOW!

FETCH IT

AYE!

NOT TO TALK ABOUT THE HOMELESS MAN WHO GOT MURDERED AND EATEN,

IMAGINING A WILD GUESS, IT WAS THAT ODD FISH OF YOURS THAT WOULD JUST MAKE THE DAY

FOR FUCKS SAKE! DOES THE WHOLE WRETCHED CITY ALREADY KNOW ABOUT THAT LITTLE INCIDENT?

SO IT'S TRUE THEN? WHO ARE YOU PEOPLE REALLY!

WE'RE JUST HUMBLE SHOPKEEPERS, OBVIOUSLY

THAT SELL SMUGGLED STUFF!
GUHH!!
PLOP
YOU DICKWAD! DON'T TELL PEOPLE THAT!
WHO CARES, WE CAN'T LET HIM GO ANYWAY SO WE MIGHT AS WELL TELL HIM EVERYTHING!
HEY DO YOU BELIEVE IN UNICORNS...
SHUT UP! SHUT! UP!
THIS IS EXACTLY THE PROBLEM WITH YOU! YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW TO BE DISCREET!
MMMM
I REALLY THOUGHT I COULD LEAVE YOU ALONE FOR ONE DAY BUT NO,
HINK HINK
ARRHH
YOU LISTEN MORE TO YOUR STOMACH THAN A VOICE OF REASON!!
LOOK AT WHAT I HAVE TO LIVE WITH!
IT'S LIKE HE'S STUCK ON BEING A FIVE YEAR OLD!
HEY!!
UM

EVEN FISHSTICK HAS MORE BRAIN!!
HHHHH
FISHSTICKS WHO KILLED AND ATE THAT POOR OLD DIRTY HOBO, IT WAS THIS TWAT RIGHT HERE!
WHAT?!
THIS WHOLE SITUATION WAS CONFUSING TO BEGING WITH, BUT NOW IT'S JUST GETTING OUT OF HAND!
CANNIBALISM? IS THIS A JOKE?
?
JRGH I'M DONE. LET'S JUST DEAL WITH THIS CLUSTERFUCK, GET
MY NECK.
MAYBE
GET BACK TO WORK AGAIN.
THAT POSTER

FLAPP
MMMKAAYYY...
DON'T REMEMBER HIM ANYTHING LIKE THIS IN THE STORE, AND IT DOESN'T LOOK GOOD..
BETTER CHECK FROM THE ACCOUNT BOOK
HHH...
HHRRHH
HOPE YOU'R NOT THINKING BADLY OF ME
TRY VERY HRD BUT
SOMETIMES MY INSTINCTS GETS THE BEST OF ME

WELL I ALSO THINK THAT HE MIGHT HAVE DIED OF A HEART ATTACK, OR SOMETHING, SINCE HE WAS KIND OF NOT MOVING THAT MUCH ANYMORE WHEN I... YOU KNOW...
WELL, I DIDN'T WANT TO THROW GOOD MEAT AWAY LIKE THAT, ALTHOUGH HE DID SMELL QUITE... INTERESTING AND THE TASTE WAS MORE THAN EXTRAORDINARY
...
...I TOOK HIS SCARF TOO, IT'S MORE LIKE RECYCLING ISN'T IT?
I'M SORRY IF
I'D APPRECIATE IF YOU DIDN'T COME ANY CLOSER!!
NNOOO DON'T BE AFRAID OF MEEE
TOSKA, TOLD YOU THAT HUMANS ARE REALLY SENSITIVE ABOUT THESE THINGS YOU SHOULD HAVE THOUGHT ABOUT THAT BEFORE KILLING THAT OLD MAN.
GRRRNN
TRIED
I REALLY DID.

RYMIN!!
YEAAH DON'T MIND HIM
HE DOES THAT
AN'T FIND THAT POSTER FROM ANY OF MY RECORDINGS WHICH IS REALLY ODD..
TWO BESIDES ME.
HOW MANY PEOPLE HAVE SEEN IT WHILE IT WAS A WHOLE?
AND WHERE ARE THESE TWO PEOPLE?
NOT FAR FROM HERE, WAITING FOR ME TO GET BACK...
WANT THE PRECISE LOCATION.

WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO
...ABOUT NOT ANSWERING MY QUESTIONS?
HEY YOU DO REMEMBER WHAT TOLD YOU
I WILL NOT LET YOU HURT MY FRIENDS!
OOOOOH!! WE GOT OURSELVES A VALIANT ONE
WHAT?
JOINK
FISHSTICKS! I'D SAY THAT HE'S ABOUT 170CM, GIVE OR TAKE AND WEIGHT IS AROUND
WE'LL PRETTY MUCH NOTHING
WOULD YOU DO THAT FOR ME?
HHHHHHHHHH

SSSSHHHHHHKRKKRRK
KRAK
POPKR-R-K-RUNT
SSHHSNAPKRAKKK
KLING!
KLING
KLONK

I'LL FEED YOU TO MY SHARK IF YOU WON'T TELL ME
THE CO
F THREE
THREE
TIME
DI!
NO

WELL?
H-HOW CAN I KNOW... THAT YOU W WON'T FEED ME TO THAT THING... EVEN IF T-T-TOLD YOU!
...
OH, YOU CAUGHT ME!

HROM

KLUNK
AAAHHAHAHAA.. THIS NEVER CEASES TO BE FUN!
WHO'S A GOOD BOY?! YOU ARE! YES YOU AAARE!
FUCKING HELL YOUR FACE IS SO FAT! JUST LOOK AT IT!! FATTY FATFACE CUTE MOTHERFUCKER!
WELL THAT WAS UNNECESSARY.
COME ON, THAT WAS GREAT!

AND WOULD YOU STOP SULKING ALREADY?
IT'S STARTING TO PISS ME OFF
NNGRRNRN...
IT'S JUST THAT IT'S TRUE ISN'T IT
I'M ONLY GOOD AT HUMAN HUNTING
NOT BEFRIENDING THEM
WHY DO YOU EVEN CARE WHAT SOME RANDOM KID THINKS OF YOU? HUMANS ARE ALL JUST A GREAT BUNCH OF TOSSERS ANYWAY!
YOU'RE A HUMAN.
DON'T GET SMART WITH ME
....I'D LIKE TO BE ALONE FOR A WHILE
...

HATE IT WHEN YOU'RE BEING SUCH A DRAMA QUEEN.
GIVE ME HIS SHOE
YOU KNOW I'M NOT GOOD AT COMFORTING AND THE KIND OF CRAP THAT REQUIRES SOCIAL SKILLS
... BUT WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF A SITUATION HERE. WE NEED TO ACT FAST BEFORE THE REMAINING TWO START MISSING THEIR FRIEND
HARD TO GET BACK NOW THAT FISHSTICKS IS PACKED..
AND KNOW I MIGHT REGRET LETTING YOU GOSE BUT-
THIS IS DIFFERENT THAN THE TIME YOU KILLED THAT HOBO.
E GAME IS ALREADY ST, WE NEED TO COVER IT UP AS MUCH AS WE CAN, SO THIS TIME
THIS TIME I GIVE YOU FULL LIBERTY.
OU NEED TO GO AND MURDER EVERYONE THAT HAS SEEN THE POSTER

BOING
YOU'D LET ME GO OUTSIDE? ON MY OWN? ARE YOU SERIOUS?!
GHWELL YES?!
AND WHY DO THEY HAVE TO DIE?
BECAUSE OF THE POSTER!
WHY

I... THINK IT MIGHT BE A SOME SORT OF SPELL OR A CURSE

WHAT!

AND YOU SOLD IT TO A HUMAN KID!

YES, WELL

AND YOU CLAIM THAT I'M UNORGANIZED AND CARELESS AND WHAT ELSE!

HEY!! I ALWAYS CHECK OUT EVERYTHING THAT GOES THROUGH MY WARES, THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANYTHING OF A MAGICAL ORIGIN!

ALSO THAT GIRL WAS GETTING CURIOUS ABOUT FISHSTICKS, I NEEDED TO GET THEM OUT FAST...

THE POSTER WASN'T IN MY RECORDINGS EITHER... BUT THEN HOW DID IT GET HERE?

WE'LL HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT THAT LATER

BECAUSE IF YOU GET CAUGHT ON SELLING THAT THING... AND THE WHOLE SMUGGLING BUSINESS

YOU'LL DO IT?

YES

OKAY THEN, YOU'LL JUST HAVE TO BE SWIFT, PRECISE AND EFFECTIVE, AND DON'T LEAVE A HUGE MESS BEHIND, AND... AND...

MM

SURE

AND WHAT'S EVEN THE POINT IN THIS, I'M JUST DESCRIBING YOUR COMPLETE OPPOSITE

DON'T WORRY, I'LL DO MY BEST

I'M AFRAID YOU WILL...

GUESS WE'LL JUST HAVE TO TRUST IN YOU NOW.

TAKE HIS SHOE, AND USE YOUR BIG NOSE TO TRACK DOWN WHERE HE CAME FROM.

HE TOLD THAT HIS FRIENDS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE WAITING FOR HIM

HUH, HIS SCENT IS ALMOST NONEXCISTENT.
DAMN SUPERHYGIENIC PEOPLE
WELL THEN I'LL GET GOING.
AND TOSKA! DON'T... DON'T YOU DARE TO DIE OR ANYTHING, BECAUSE I'LL FUCKING KILL YOU IF YOU DO!
AWW ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT ME?
HELL NO.
~HER
~WHH
THRH I'VE TOLD YOU TO STOP MARKING ME!
GRR
JUST GO ALREADY! I'LL WAIT YOU AT THE BIRDHOUSE, COME THERE WHEN YOU'RE DONE!
HUHUH, OKAY!

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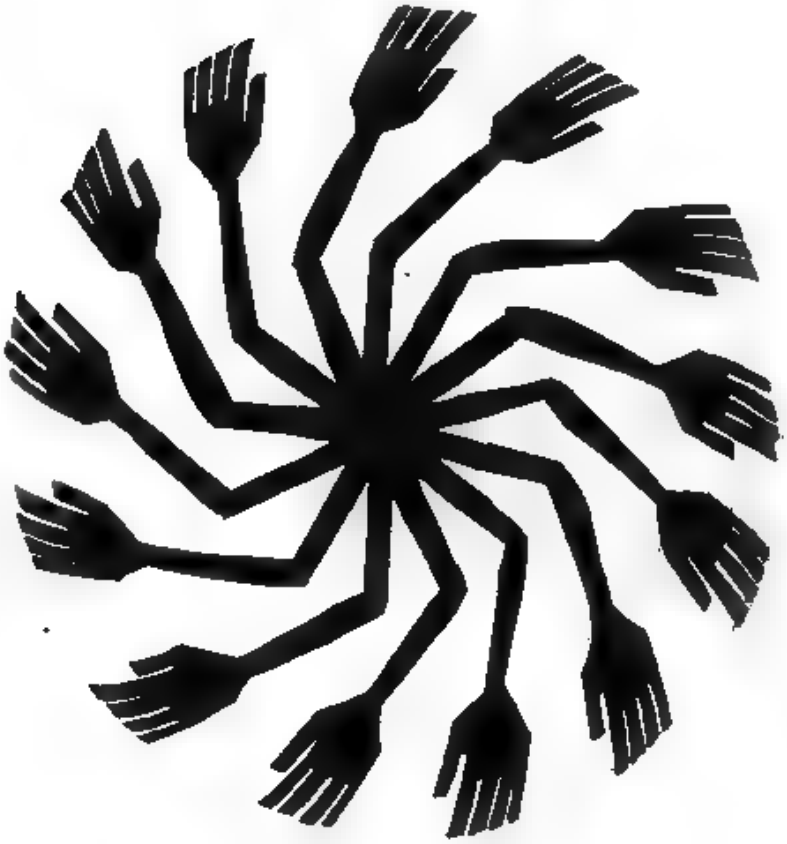
CHAPTER 3

THIRTEEN TIMES THIRTEEN ARMS



IT'S GORGEOUS!
I CAN'T WAIT UNTIL COLIN SEES THIS!
DO YOU THINK HE'LL AGREE ON SLEEPING IN A PILLOW FORTRESS?
WE MIGHT NEED TO MAKE HIM A SEPARATE BED
OH YOU KNOW HOW HE IS!
COLIN LIKES TO PRETEND THAT HE'S ALL SERIOUS AND GROWN-UP
BUT IN THE END HE'S THE ONE WHO SECRETLY ENJOYS SILLY THINGS LIKE THIS THE MOST

AND WHAT'S THE POINT OF BEING AN ADULT IF YOU DON'T TAKE FULL ADVANTAGE OF IT!?
IT'S NOT ABOUT BEING STUCK INTO YOUR BORING ROUTINES UNTIL YOU DIE. IT'S ABOUT THE FREEDOM OF CHOOSING IF YOU WANT TO SLEEP IN A BED, OR IN A PILLOW FORTRESS TONIGHT.
HEHE
LEONA, YOU JUST WAIT UNTIL YOU'RE AS OLD AS I AM, THEN LIFE'S ALL ABOUT BILLS, TAXES AND CRYING OVER HOW LITTLE MONEY YOU HA-
SHUSSHHH LET'S NOT TALK ABOUT THAT
SFT
MORE IMPORTANTLY WHAT THE HELL IS TAKING COLIN SO LONG?

HE'S PROBABLY CRYING SOMEWHERE NOW HE CAN'T FIND ORGANICALLY PRODUCED FISH FROM THE LOCAL STORE
BUT JOHN, I JUST REALLY NEED TO ASK YOU SOMETHING
WOULD YOU EVER DATE HIM?

WHYYYY ARE YOU ASKING THAT?
NO REASON, JUST CURIOUS!
OH MY GOD, YOU'RE SO FULL OF CRAP!
NOOO I SWEAR THIS IS A PURELY ACADEMIC QUESTION
NO ULTERIOR MOTIVES!
WHY DON'T YOU DO HIM IN YOUR PURE ACADEMICNESS THEN?
MAYBE I WOULD.
I THOUGHT YOU LIKED GIRLS
MORE LIKE CUTE AND PETITE PEOPLE
IT WOULD BE SO ODD IF YOU GOT TOGETHER.
NAAAH, IT'S NOT GOING TO HAPPEN.
SCRATS
SCRATS
WHY NOT?
I KNOW I'M NOT HIS TYPE.

HOW DO YOU EVEN KNOW WHAT HE LIKES?
RRRRGHH
I HAVE A HUN- DUDE, WHAT'S WRONG?
MY BACK!
IT'S BEEN ITCHING LIKE HELL SINCE MORNING

AND IT'S RIGHT IN A SPOT THAT I CAN'T REACH!
I CAN SCRATCH IT IF YOU WANT
THANKS. I WAS STARTING TO LOSE MY MIND HERE
YOUR FINGERNAILS ARE SUCH STUMPS IT'S NO USE!
I CAN'T STOP BITING NAILS...
WAIT, I'LL LIFT MY SHIRT A BIT.

ALL RIGHT NOW GET SCRATCHING!
AAAH FINALLY,
A BIT MORE TO THE LEFT, PLEASE!
NO THE OTHER LEFT!
THAT'S IT!
AH!!?
?

UHH M.KO? I KNOW I'M NOT WEARING A BRA BUT THERE'S NO REASON TO FREAK OUT, MY BOOBS ARE SO SMALL I DON'T REALLY NEED-
SOMETHING BIT ME?!
NAKS
WHU
MMMM

THAT WAS EERIE
YOU HAVE MY CANDLE, SIR
DID YOU HEAR THAT?
COME ON MAN!

STOMP
STOMP
STOMP
WHAT IF IT'S JUST COLIN AND WE'RE FREAKING OUT ABOUT NOTHING, BUT HEY I'M BACK-
NO THE 'ZIZ' ARE TOO HEAVY TO BE HIM!
STOMP
OUT!
WHAT IF IT'S SOME KIND OF A TOWN INSPECTOR OR SOME SHIT I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO LIVE HERE
KRAK

KNARRRR R
HEY HELL
EVENING
ARE YOU HERE TO KICK ME ON THE STREET OR ?
AHHHHNG NO NO NO NO

I'M HERE
TO KILL
OH, DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT
YOU'RE MAKING ME FEEL BAD

M NOT EVEN IN THE MOOD FOR THIS, BUT I HAVE TO DO T ANYWAY.
H
LEONA CALL THE POLICE, I'LL HOLD HIM –
–OFF

WHA –
FC
-AAAAAH??

WHAM
H
HAH
KRASH
HOLY SHIT, MIKO!
HE DEAD?
NO, HE'LL GET BACK UP SOON
HEY LET'S KICK HIM.
WH WHAT!? LEONA!! YOU JUST KEEP ON LOOKING FOR THAT PHONE!

BUT I WON'T HAPPEN AGAIN

PAT
HARH BLOODY HELL!! FUCK!
HOW DO YOU DO THAT!!
I'M MUCH BIGGER AND HEAVIER THAN YOU!
I'VE GOT FANGS AND CLAWS
WAS MADE TO KILL!

NEW WAY TRAINE TO FIGHT!
THERE'S A DIFFERENCE
DRIP
HHHHTEACH ME HOW TO DO ITTT
WHAT?! NO WAY IN HELL!
THE POLICE WILL BE HERE SOON AND THEY'LL LOCK YOU UP FOR GOOD
I HAVE TO END YOU BEFORE THAT
OH RIGHT
GUESS I'LL NEED TO CHANGE TACTICS

WHAT'S UP WITH THAT ANYWAY
USUALLY COUNT ON PEOPLE T
SCARED SHITLESS WHE
THEM
I'VE MET MONSTERS BEFORE
THE SORT THAT MAKES YOU TO BOUNCE ON IT
AARH STOP
A CONECOW!

WHAT ON EARTH ARE THESE GUYS DOING ALL THE WAY HERE?
LEAVE THAT BUG ALONE!
CATCH!
AH?!
KOPS!

CAUGHT YOU!!!
AHAH LEONA!
ALRIGHT I'M DOING MY BEST
NEED YOUR HELP!!!
WHAT?!
SKRATS SKRA
A LITTLE HELP PLEASE!!

I'M COMING!
WOULD'VE LOVED TO GET TO KNOW YOU BETTER.
SNAP!
HOLYYY SHIT!!
HOW DID YOU KNOW THAT WHEN YOU'RE SHOUTING
YOU KNEW JUND REALLY GIRL!
MIKO!
ACK!!

THUNK!
LEONA?
POK
HHHH
I FEEL LIKE I'M GIVING BIRTH THROUGH MY BACKBONE! WHAT THE HELL!!!
HEY!!

LEAVE HIM ALONE YOU BIG FUCK!!!
ENOUGH WITH THE GUILT TRIPE I KNOW YOU MUST FEEL A BIT DISTRESSED ABOUT
HURK-
GHK-K K
ARE YOU OKAY?
KRATS

SKRIT

SKRITS WHUM

WHUM
WHUM
WHUM
WHUM
WHUM

MH,
WOAH-
(H'H")

MOLY SHIT WELL AREN'T YOU ONE DAMN UGLY CREATURE?
OH!
WELL THAT'S A LOT OF HANDS
WHAT TH HECK!
...M... I HOPE IT'S NOT TOO LATE OR RUDE TO ASK THIS BUT
COULD WE SIT DOWN FOR A MOMENT AND HAVE A LITTLE CHAT?
YOU KNOW, A PARLEY?
YEAH, OKAY! TALKING IS FINE FOR ME!

"OPPNS HAR
WOULD ANYONE CARE TO EXPLAIN TO ME,
...WHY ON EARTH ARE WE HAVING A TEAPARTY...
...TH THIS GUY?!

WHILE YOU WERE UNCONSCIOUS, I BURSTED A SWARM OF HANDS FROM MY BACK AND—
SPROING
AH!
OH MY GOD! LEONA!! I-I-I THINK WE SHOULD GO TO THE NEAREST HOSPITAL RIGHT NOW!
MIC-
OOOH BLOODY HELL SERIOUSLY LOOK AT THESE!! WHY ARE YOU SO CALM HOLY SHIT!
DUDE RELAX!
THIS IS MORE LIKE HAVING COOL NEW SUPERPOWERS!
DON'T YOU THINK IT'S GREAT.
NO?!?
YOU DON'T JUST GET "SUPERPOWERS" THAT SOME SORT OF TROPICAL DISEASE OR A COLLECTIVE HALLUCINATION DO
OKAY OKAY! WELL ACTUALLY I THINK THAT ONLY PERSON IN THIS ROOM WHO REALLY KNOWS WHAT THIS IS, IS HIM.
OH UH WEW
YOU WERE ON THAT STORE YESTERDAY WHEN I BOUGHT THAT POSTER A POSTER WITH HANDS VERY SIMILAR TO THOSE COMING FROM MY BACK
YOU KNOW WHAT THIS IS, DON'T YOU.

OH I'M I'M SURPRISED THAT YOU RECOGNIZED ME!
YOU'RE KIND OF HARD TO FORGET...
EXCEPT YOU GOT BUFF?! AND JUST IN ONE DAY!
PAT PAT
ARE THESE REAL?
YOUR BOOBS ARE BIGGER THAN MINE
JUST, PLEASE, WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?!
DON'T GROPE OTHER PEOPLE.
FINE ..I'LL TELL YOU EVERYTHING. YOU'VE ALREADY SEEN TOO MUCH ANYWAY!
AND SINCE I'VE FAILED TO KILL YOU, I DON'T HAVE A CHOICE
WHO AM I KIDDING! I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO TELL AN OUTSIDER!
THERE'S ANOTHER WORLD HIDDEN FROM HUMAN EYES
A WORLD FILLED WITH MAGICAL WONDERS AND BEINGS.
TONK

THERE'S A WHOLE REALM OF THINGS YOU'VE ONLY HEARD STORIES OF!!
..ALWAYS DREAMT OF ANOTHER WORLD! REALITY IS SO BORING I'M READY TO BELIEVE ANYTHING!
..RGH
ARE THERE DRAGONS?
THEY'RE EXTINCT
..SORT OF
WHAT
IT KIND OF EMBARRASSING.
THEY JUST-DIED
BY THE TIME EVERYONE NOTICED IT WAS ALREADY TOO LATE
..AND ALCHEMISTS DID ALL THAT JOT TRIED TO PUT ALL THE RE-MAINING PARTS BACK TOGETHER

THEY FAILED MISERABLY
WAIT A MINUTE. WHY IS THERE TWO ONE DRAGON-HEAD LEFT?
INSTEAD OF SAVING THE SPECIES THEY HAD CREATED MONSTERS.
AND THEN THEY OF COURSE BROKE FREE LIKE ALL DANGEROUS CREATURES MADE MADE IN A LABORATORY DO.
I CANT BELIEVE THAT FINALLY WHEN THERE'S A MAGICAL LAND DRAGON STILL DONT EXIST HOW ABOUT UNICORN'S?
DONT EVEN GET ME STARTED ON UNICORNS
GURGH!
PEOPLE ONLY CARE ABOUT THEM BECAUSE THEY'RE SO BEAUTIFUL AND PURE!!
NO ONE GIVES A SHIT ABOUT BEINGS WITH CLAWS AND FANGS, EVEN IF THEY ARE ACTUALLY USEFUL!
LIKE TROLLS FOR EXAMPLE
MIKO HERE REALLY LIKES UNICORNS!
DONT YOU?
PLEASE DONT DRAG ME INTO THIS STUPID GAME OF YOURS

NO MATTER. THERE'S PROBABLY JUST A HANDFUL OF THEM LEFT AND THEY'RE LOCKED AWAY SOMEPLACE SAFE
IS THERE ANYTHING THAT ISN'T ON THE BRINK OF EXTINCTION?
WE'RE ACTUALLY HAVING A PROBLEM WITH OVERPOPULATION, BELIEVE IT OR NOT..
IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU PEOPLE AREN'T DOING TOO WELL.
I GUESS..
SERIOUSLY NOW
LEONAAAA YOU'RE HAVING A TALK WITH SOMEONE WHO JUST RAMMED INTO YOUR APARTMENT TRYING TO KILL YOU!!
HEY! I HAD A PERFECTLY GOOD REASON FOR THAT!
JUST LET ME EXPLAIN AND MAYBE WE CAN COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING.
OH BOY ANOTHER SENSELESS STORY?
SHHH!
IT'S HIGHLY PROHIBITED TO TELL AN OUTSIDER OF OUR WORLD.
I'M ACTUALLY WORKING ON THIS BRIGADE OF SORT OF WATCHMEN WHO'S DUTY IS TO HUNT DOWN ANYONE WHO MIGHT BE A THREAT TO OUR WORLD.

HEH I GUESS I MAKE IT EVEN MORE MRAZZAS NO THAT I COULDN'T KEEP THE SECRET!
GO ON WITH THE STORY!!
OH, YEAH THE JOB MOSTLY TO LOITER AROUND THESE DAYS AT THE COIN ISN'T TOO COOL
ONE DAY ME AND MY PARTNER WERE PATROLLING NEAR THIS GARBAGE DUMP WHEN I FOUND SOMETHING INTERESTING.
DON'T GO IN THERE!
IOSKA YOU FUCKER
ONE STORY SHOULD BE ENOUGH UNREGISTERED PASSAGE BETWEEN THE WORLD
IT WAS HER IDEA TO START SMUGGLING GOODS.

SHE WOULD BRING ALL KINDS OF STUFF THATS HARD TO GET FROM MY WORLD LIKE LIGHT BULBS DUCT TAPE AND THOSE SHINY LITTLE DISKS WITH A HOLE ON THEM.
OOOOH WHATS THIS?
THE MOST HIDEOUS AND AWFUL DEVICE MANKIND HAS EVER INVENTED
THOUGHT YOU MIGHT LIKE IT
AND TO THE OTHER DIRECTION SHE TOOK VARIOUS CURIOSITIES.
WHY CAN'T I EVER COME WITH YOU
BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE LIKE LETTING A HAWK INTO A PIGEON COOP.
HHH
WE DOUBLE-CHECKED EVERY ITEM SO HUMANS WOULDN'T ACCIDENTALLY BUY FLAMING TOILETS OR HATS THAT EAT YOUR HEAD.
HOW ABOUT THIS?
A DEFINITE NO TO TALKING MAKES
WEAR MEEE
PUT ME ON YOUR FFFACEEE
AND STILL DESPITE ALL OUR PRECAUTIONS YOU MANAGED TO BUY ABOUT THE ONLY MAGICAL AND DANGEROUS OBJECT THERE WAS
SO EITHER WE TAKE YOU DOWN FAST, CLEAN THINGS UP AND PRETEND THAT NOTHING EVER HAPPENED... OR THE STORY OF A GIRL WITH THOUSAND HANDS WILL SPREAD TO THE PAPERS ENDANGERING OUR WHOLE EXISTENCE
WE WOULDN'T EVEN HAVE KNOWN THAT SOMETHING WAS UP—

-IF THAT REDHEAD HADN'T COME TO OUR STORE WITH THE POSTER JUST NOW!
PRFFF
OH SHIT COLIN!! I-I FORGOT... ALL ABOUT HIM..
WHAT HAVE YOU DONE TO HIM!
WELL, THE DOG SHE SAW AT THE STORE ISN'T ACTUALLY A DOG BUT A SHARK THAT HAS LEGS AND IT'S REALLY THE SIZE OF A COW AND IT SWALLOWED HIM!
WHAT?
AAH!

IS HE DEAD?!? DID YOU KILL HIM!!
G-GHACKK SHIT, MY NOSE.
HE'S FINE!
OR AT LEAST NOT DEAD!
FISH STICKS WILL THROW HIM UP AT SOME POINT.
SFT
HOLY SHIT, FOR A MOMENT THERE... I REALLY THOUGHT THAT COLIN WAS... WAS.
IT'S MUCH EASIER TO TRANSPORT PEOPLE WHILE THEY'RE STILL ALIVE.
AND CUT THEM INTO PIECES AFTER REACHING THE DESTINATION
THERE ARE ALWAYS BUYERS FOR HUMAN PARTS IN THE BLACK MARKET.
THOUGH I HEARD THAT SOME SCHOLARS ARE OFFERING FINE REWARDS FOR LIVING SPECIMEN..
SSSLT
APPARENTLY THEY OPEN PEOPLE UP REMOVE THEIR INTESTINES AND THEN REPLACE THEM WITH ODD ALCHEMIC BATTERIES AND SEE HOW LONG THEY LIVE
TCH HH H
AND THEN THERE'S THIS GUILD OF BOTANISTS WHO PLANT SEEDS IN PEOPLE'S BRAINS THAT TURN THEM-
S-SHUT UP!! OH PLEASE NOT ANOTHER WORD!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT KIND OF SICK GAME YOU ARE PLAYING, I JUST WANT HIM BACK THIS INSTANT!
PSSS---SHHHH
HE'S THE MOST GENTLE AND KIND PERSON KNOW AND HE DESERVES NONE OF THAT... WHATEVER YOU'VE DONE TO HIM!!
I'M SORRY...
BUT THERES NOTHING YOU CAN DO. HE HAS BEEN TAKEN TO THE OTHER SIDE BY NOW
NAKS
OW SHHH!T!
HEY FUCK YOU AND YOUR IMAGINARY WORLD!!
WOW COOL HEALING STICKERS
OOOOH MY GOD POOR COLIN!!
IT'S... MY FAULT... IF I HADN'T TOLD HIM TO TRY TO PROVE HIMSELF... HE WOULDN'T HAVE GONE TO THAT DAMN SHOP!
MIKO WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?
KOPS
I'M SO STUPID! WHY DID I HAVE TO DO THAT!?
STOP IT!! IT'S NOBODYS FAULT YOU IDIOT!
WHO COULD POSSIBLY HAVE KNOWN THAT THERE WOULD BE A... DOG... SHARK... MANEATING THING IN THE STORE...
DIDN'T HAVE TO PROVE ANYTHING

AT LEAST HE'S STILL ALIVE... WHERE EVER HE IS.
BUT SOON HE'LL BE IN GOD KNOWS HOW MANY PIECES IF THAT DUDE IS SPEAKING THE TRUTH!
D-DON'T SAY THAT!
SO! WE NEED TO ACT FAST!
MIKO, THE TRAIL IS GETTING COLDER EVERY SECOND.
WE'RE GOING TO GO THERE AND SAVE HIM!
YOU HAVE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME...
NONE OF THAT FANTASYLAND STUFF IS REAL! LEONA!
BLOODY HELL MIKO, DON'T BE SO BORING!
WE COULD BE GOING ALREADY BUT YOU HAVE TO BE LIKE THAT!
NOT REAL?
!?
HOW CAN YOU SAY THAT... AFTER ALL THAT YOU'VE SEEN TONIGHT!?
HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN THE ARMS COMING FROM HER BACK?

WELL I ADMIT THAT ALL THIS SEEMS OTHERWORDLY... BUT I'S JUST I NEED TIME TO THINK AND
HOW ABOUT ME, THEN? HOW WOULD YOU EXPLAIN ME?
DON'T RECALL HUMAN HAVING SUCH LUXURIOUS TAILS LIKE MINE?
LÄÄP
YOU CAN'T EXPECT ME TO ACCEPT THE EXISTENCE OF A WHOLE DIFFERENT WORLD JUST LIKE THAT!
BUT MOST OF ALL I'D LIKE YOU TO EXPLAIN,
THAT THING THAT SEEMS TO BE LIVING WITH YOU!!
POK
T-THE COCKROACH? I KNEW THERE WAS SOMETHING OFF ABOUT IT!
I WASN'T TALKING ABOUT THE BUG
EEEK

PUT THAT BLACK LITTLE CREEP RIGHT THERE!
YES.. A CAT?
YES! AREN'T YOU DISTURBED?
HOW CAN YOU LOOK AT CATS AND BE LIKE IT'S NOTHING?!
THEY'RE ACTUALLY COMMON AROUND HERE
YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS... AND YOU THERE ON THE FLOOR WEAR THAT SMUG EXPRESSION RIGHT AWAY!
.....YOU KNEW THERE WAS SOMETHING OFF ABOUT THE CONEBUG?
HMM?
UH, YEAH WELL
MIKO
YOU SLY BASTARDS
SIGH
I NEED TO PACK MY STUFF AND INFORM MY BOSS THAT I WON'T BE COMING FOR WORK FOR A FEW DAYS, THEN,

SO WE'RE DOING THIS!! WE'RE GOING! FUCK YES!
WE ALSO HAVE TO COME UP WITH AN EXCUSE TO OUR PARENTS AS TO WHY WE ARE SUDDENLY DISAPPEARING FOR A WHILE.
YES YES WE CAN DO ALL THAT ON OUR WAY THERE!
LEONA, WAIT! WE CAN'T JUST RUN OFF LIKE THAT! WHAT ABOUT GABRIELE? HE NEEDS SOMEONE TO TAKE CARE OF HIM
AND WE'RE NO USE FOR COLIN IF WE JUST RUN THERE UNPREPARED
WE NEED TO PLAN OUT EVERYTHING CAREFULLY, IT MIGHT TAKE SOME TIME -
BUT I WANT TO GO RIGHT NOW!
WE HAVE NO IDEA WHAT WE'RE UP AGAINST
SO WE'LL TAKE THAT BIG GUY AS OUR GUIDE!
OH OH! I COULD SHOW YOU ALL THE GREATEST PLACES!
AND THE MOST AWESOME THINGS!
A JOURNEY, TOGETHER!!
WAIT I CAN'T DO THAT IT'S PROHIBITED
I'LL GET KILLED OR WORSE, THROWN IN JAIL
THEN WE'LL JUST KIDNAP YOU
A GREAT IDEA!

ALSO I THINK I KNOW WHAT THIS CLUSTER OF HANDS IS

DO YOU NOW!

IS IT SOME SORT OF AN EVIL SPIRIT DEMON-

OR A MAGICAL WEAPON OF MASS DESTRUCTION!

OR COULD IT EVEN BE THAT I AM-

~THE CHOSEN ONE~

DOESN'T EVERY FANTASY WORLD HAVE THOSE?

WELL ACTUALLY THIS THING HERE IS A HARVESTER!

JOINT

USED TO COLLECT POTATOES, APPLES, ALL THAT SORT

PRRFFT

SO THERE'S AN AGRICULTURAL DEVICE ATTACHED TO MY BACK

THIS IS THE LAMEST FUCKING THING

IT'S NOT A DEVICE, BUT A PARASITE-

IT WAS PULLED AWAY FROM THE MARKET SOON AFTER THE RELEASE BECAUSE, WELL

HERE LET ME DEMONSTRATE

TAK

PICK UP THIS PAPER USING THE HARVESTER

ALRIGHT, EASY ENOUGH!
JM LEONA ?
SHUT UP! THIS IS HARDER THAN I THOUGHT!
HEY! DON'T MOVE YOUR OWN ARMS!
YNH
WHY IS THIS SO DAMN DIFFICULT ALL OF A SUDDEN!
RRRRGH IT'S PISSING ME OFF
PUNCH
HA! THERE! I TOUCHED IT!
BUT YOU DIDN'T PICK IT UP

OH BUGGER OFF!
CAN STILL PUNCH THINGS!
HEY THERE'S A REASON WHY YOU COULDN'T
THE HOLE IN YOUR BACK S LIKE AN OPEN WOUND
HERE MOVE YOUR HAIR AWAY.
THE HARVESTER HAS MADE IT'S NEST INTO YOUR BACKBONE, AND IT USES THIS HOLE TO COME AND GO
IT HAS ROOTS SPREADING THROUGH YOUR BODY AND IT'S USING THEM TO READ YOUR MOVEMENTS
WELL IT DOESN'T SEEM TO WORK WITH ME TOO WELL
THAT'S BECAUSE IT'S STILL FRESH.
THE MORE YOU DO THINGS TOGETHER, THE MORE IT GROWS INSIDE YOU. YOU'LL LEARN HOW TO USE IT EVENTUALLY
THAT DOESN'T SOUND HEALTHY...

AND IT ISN'T
T USES PEOPLE LIKE A FERTILIZER
O THE MORE YOU USE T THE MORE IT GROWS.
AND THE BIGGER IT GETS THE MORE T EATS!
FINALLY IT WILL SPEND MORE ENERGY THAN THE MOST CAN GIVE
AND THAT'S WHY IT DIDN'T GET VERY POPULAR
OH NO! LEONA!!
WHAT!? SO I'LL JUST DIE IF USE T!
THIS S THE MOST USELESS THING!

SO WE MIGHT AS WE... TEAR THIS DAMN PARASITE OFF OF YOU!

UH, I DON'T THINK THAT'S A GOOD IDEA
IF YOU PULL TOO HARD, IT COULD BREAK HER SPINE

OH
OOPS

THEN JUST STOP USING IT!
IT WON'T HURT YOU IF YOU DON'T USE IT, RIGHT?

THAT WOULD ONLY SLOW DOWN THE GROWING.
"EH"

WELL ISN'T THIS, THE MOST SHITTIEST MAGICAL PARASITE I'VE EVER HAD
JUST TELL ME THE BAD NEWS ALREADY, HOW LONG DO I HAVE LEFT TO LIVE?

THAT DEPENDS ON HOW MUCH YOU USE IT, BUT I'D SAY THAT...
PROBABLY A YEAR
GIVE OR TAKE A FEW MONTHS
ONE YEAR!?
YOU MEAN THAT NEXT AUTUMN I'LL BE DEAD?

AND IF YOU DON'T USE YOUR HARVESTER, YOU COULD LIVE A FEW MONTHS LONGER
PROBABLY
MAYBE
ARE YOU PISSING US!? FIRST COLIN AND NOW LEONA?
THERE HAS TO BE A WAY TO GET RID OF THAT FOUL THING!
MP
WE'LL HAVEN'T HEARD OF ANY
IT'S BEEN YEARS SINCE HARVESTER CAME TO THE MARKET
AT THE TIME THERE WERE RUMOURS THAT IT WAS KNOWINGLY MADE IN A WAY THAT IT WOULD KILL ITS USERS.

ONE YEAR...
MAU

IT COULD BE CUT OFF WITH A SURGERY—
AND
(H
LEONA! WHERE ARE YOU GOING!
TO THE MAGICA-LAND!
WHAT!?
I'M SURE THAT MODERN SCIENCE CAN HELP-
OH, MIKO
WA T-LEONA! PLEASE WE CAN WORK THIS OUT!
TUUT

I HAVE ONE YEAR LEFT DO YOU KNOW WHAT I MEANS?
HU
THAT THERE'S NO TIME FOR BORING CRAP LIKE GETTING PREPARED!
WE HAVE TO GO IMMEDIATELY! THIS INSTANT! RIGHT NOW!
NO BUTS! I'M DYING
WHAT ABOUT PARENTS
I'M TAKING HIM WITH ME
YOUR APARTMENT?
JUST LEAVE IT!
I'M SORRY OF INTERRUPTION GOODBYE
IT!!
HE'S GREAT!
HEY WAIT UP!

SO QUIET

YEAH THE WEATHER SUCKS CRAP SO NO WONDER

EVERYONE INSIDE THE COZY HOUSE

GOOD. DONT WANT ANYONE TO NOTICE MY HORNS OR TAIL.

HORNS? THOSE TINY THINGS POKING FROM YOUR HEAD ARE HORNS?

I DIDN'T EVEN REALIZE!

MMRRNNN I'M DOING MY BEST TO GET THEM GROWING

HUH?

WAIT
UP!
HAA
HAHH
O YOU DECIDED TO COME TOO? AWESOME!
COULDN'T LEAVE YOU ALONE WITH HIM!
SO I HAD TO TURN OFF THE BOILER AND ELECTRICITY AND LOCK THE DOORS...
DUDE WHAT'S THE POINT IT'S NOT LIKE I'M GOING BACK!
DON'T SAY THAT!
LET RATS AND BATS AND CONEROACHES AND OTHER VERMIN TAKE OVER MY FLAT
KREEEAAK

THE DOORS IN THE BACK
YEOOC
ARE YOU SURE THE PARASITE POSTER WAS THE ONLY "MAGICAL" OBJECT IN HERE?
TOK
DO YOU MIND IF I TAKE SOME STUFF FROM YOUR STORE?
CHECK OUT THIS HAT
MY PARTNER WOULD GET REALLY MAD ABOUT THAT
WELL SHE SOLD ME A DEATH SENTENCE...!
YOU GOT A POINT THERE.. AND SHE'LL GET MAD AT ME ANYWAY SO...
WHO CARES LETS PLAY DRESS UP!
TAP

THERE'S SO MANY INTERESTING BOOKS I COULD SPEND ALL NIGHT HERE
H-H?
GUYS, I FOUND COLINS PHO-
READY FOR ADVENTURING!
WHAT D'YA THINK?
OH
UM
UH
CHECK OUT MY ARMPIT HAIR!
POOFY
IMPRESSIVE

AND I'M REALLY SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOUR FUN BUT LOOK AT THIS!
YEAH IT'S HIS PHONE SO?
WELL IT PROVES THAT HE REALLY WAS HERE!
YOU'RE STILL BEING SCEPTIC!?
A B T
HOLY POOP MUCO I'M GOING TO HIT YOU WITH A BABY UNICORN
BEFORE THAT WE HAVE TO FIND THOSE UNICORNS AND THEY'RE BEHIND THAT DOOR!
ALRIGHT THEN
I'VE GOT ONE YEAR LEFT TO BRING COLIN BACK HOME

AND WE'RE TRAVELLING IN JUST AT THE RIGHT TIME 'T'S HARVEST MOON AN EVERYO CELEBRATING'
YOU KNOW SAMHAIN?
HUH?
KEKR?
NOPE
YOU MUST KNOW ABOUT DOŽINKY!
NEVER HEARD
HALLOWEEN?
A WHAT?
OH, UM NOTHING
BUT 'TIS A PARTAAAAAY HUCK YEAH!
HAVE TO SHOW YOU ALL THE THREE BIG CITIES!
AND PROKAIS GREAT SHIP!
AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY
THE SLEEPY GARDENS
I'M SO EXCITED!
PERSONAL SPACE DO YOU MIND?
AN ADVENTURE WITH MY NEW TINY HUMAN FRIENDS!
I REALLY, REALLY HOPE THAT DON'T EAT YOU
DID YOU SAY SOMETHING?
HAHAA NO LET'S JUST OPEN THE DOOR!!

HUMMM
IT IS
TIMES
START
TO GET SECOND
THOUGHTS
BEFORE WE LEAVE
KNAPPR
YOU'LL BE
NEEDING SOME
LIGHT
HERE YOU GO!
WHAT
OH OH!! GIVE
ME THE
MUSHROOM!

SOMEHOW THESE FELLOWS GLOW IN A WAY THAT DOESN'T ATTRACT ... JUST CERTAIN THINGS... THAT ARE THERE... IN THE DARK
WAIT WHAT -
... EXPLAIN ON THE WAY
ARE YOU READY?
WHAT THINGS
GOT EVERYTHING?
YEAH!
MO...
WAIT-
IN WE GO THEN!
K-KLIKK

CHAPTER 4

A NEW YEAR

END
OF
PART
ONE

DON'T THROW HIM UP!
OH

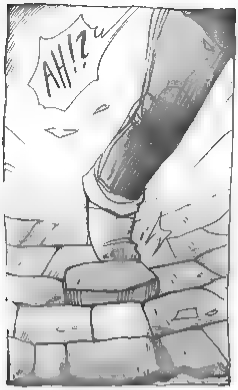
WHY THE HELL WOULD YOU DO THAT!?
HEY, KID!
HU-
H

GOOD HEAVENS!
ALRIGHT NOW ... CALM DOWN, AB
I WAS...
I WA. INSIDE THAT SHARK'S STOMACH.
I KN
I L. I

AAAAND THERE HE RUNS
FUCK THIS
AAH!!!

NO WAY I'M SPRINTING AFTER SOME WHINING KID.
YOU DEAL WITH HIM.

WHERE ON EARTH AM I?
HAH
HA
I'VE NEVER BEEN IN THIS PART OF THE CITY BEFORE!
NO MATTER...
AS LONG AS I GET FAR FAR AWAY FROM THAT FISH!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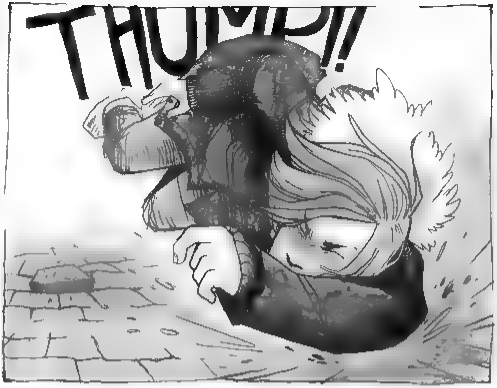

THUMP!!

THUM - THUM - THUM - THUM - THUM - THUM
OW OW OWW MY HAND!!

THUM-THUM
UM-THUM-
HEY!
HAHA
WOO
DINK
DING

HEY MAN, DONT BE SULKING! IT'S TIME TO PARTY
AH!!
AAH!!!
AAAA!!
WHAT ON EARTH?
I'M DEFINITELY NOT IN HOMETOWN ANYMORE!

TH, WHOLE DAY
HA, PEEN TOO
AN'T EVEN
ARE ANYMOR
SKRIT

ARE EVERYTHING ALWAYS HARD TO ME?
WHAT HAVE I DONE TO DESERVE THIS?
IS ONLY REFUSED TO TREAT ME LIKE GARBAGE!
I WANT TO BE
EEK!

MEAN ??
FLÄTS
UOOORK

UUOOOR
THOU!

NO
NOT YOU-A-A-A..

UMP
UMFF
KRUNTS!
SKVIIIIK
SKVIIIIK
SKVIIIKKK

FUPPK
FLAP FLAP

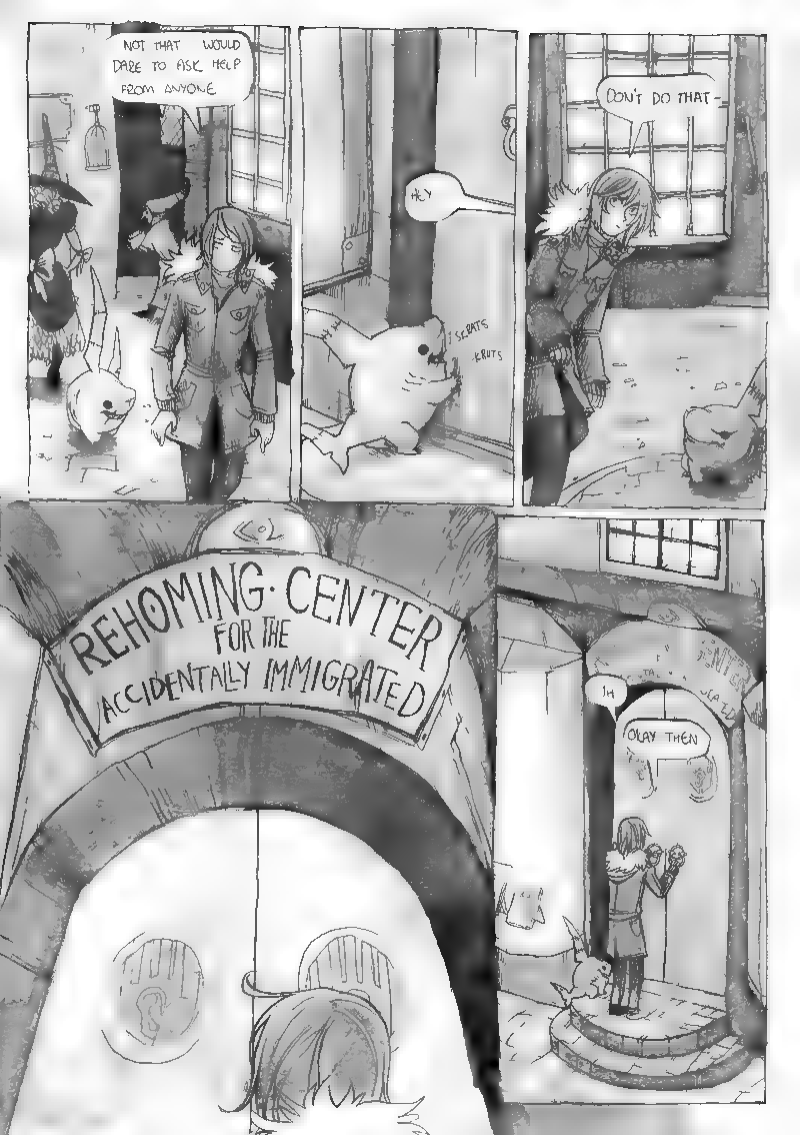
YOU.
AAHH.! I DONT WANT TO DIE!
HELP!
SOMEONE!
AH!
AIN't YA DARN THING EAT ME — THEN YOU SAVE ME FROM THAT UGLY MONSTER!
WHAT

HEY, STOP RUBBING YOURSELF ON ME

DONT TRY TO GET TOO FRIENDLY WITH ME I'M STILL MAD AT YOU!

WHAT ON EARTH ..

IS THIS PLACE ?
FEELS LIKE I'M DREAMING –
–BUT THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS, EVEN THE SCENTS ARE MOST DEFINITELY REAL
STILL I JUST WANT TO FIND A WAY BACK HOME SOON...


NOT THAT WOULD DARE TO ASK HELP FROM ANYONE
HEY
SCRATS
ERUTS
DON'T DO THAT -
REHOMING CENTER FOR THE ACCIDENTALLY IMMIGRATED
HM
OKAY THEN

EXCUSE ME?
M, HELLO?
PLIP RING PLIP
HUAA!!
KLING
RECEP

OH SHIT
HUAAARGH!!!
HAHAA MAN! YOU REALLY STARTLED ME THERE!
NOPE
WAIT WHO THE HECK ARE YOU?
I THINK I'M UH I'VE ACCIDENTALLY IMMIGRATED
WHAT SERIOUSLY?
MEAN THERE HASN'T BEEN ANYONE IN FIVE YEARS..
LOOK, I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON EITHER
HEY!
IT'S MY JOB TO HELP PEOPLE, SO LET ME EXPLAIN SOME THINGS TO YOU!

HEY LOOK, PICTURES!

I GUESS THIS TELLS THE STORY OF HOW MAGICAL FOLK CAME TO DISAGREE WITH YOU HUMANS

WE USED TO LIVE TOGETHER YOU KNOW!

ANYWAY, AROUND THE DARK AGES SHIT STARTED GOING DOWN – BECAUSE OF REASONS I DON'T CARE TO REMEMBER RIGHT NOW –

THEN WE BUILT A SAFE HAVEN AND THIS GUY IN THE MIDDLE HAD SOMETHING TO DO WITH IT...

WOW THIS IS REALLY BORING LET'S SKIP THAT

FAP FLAP

HERE ARE THE THREE BIGGEST CITIES IN THIS PARTICULAR HAVEN.

RETHRE

RUNGHOLT

YOU'RE IN VINETIA, WHICH IS FAMOUS FOR ITS VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES!

VINETIA

ALSO HUMANS ARE SORT OF FROWNED UPON HERE, SO IT'S RECOMMENDED TO, UH REASSIGN YOUR SPECIES!

WEREWOLFS' GUIDE

HOW TO BEHAVE

Magical Diseases and How to cure them

I HAVE LOTS OF BROCHURES HERE SO YOU CAN PICK THE MOST SUITABLE OPTION!

YOUR FRIEND NEIGHBOR

WARLOCKS

BRUNO the ALCHEMIST

VAMPIRES HAVE BEEN MADLY POPULAR LATELY
HERE, TAKE A LOOK!
UHHHHHH
BEAUTY!
MAY CAUSE: CHRONIC HEADACHE, INSOMNIA, TEMPORARY BLINDNESS, CHANGE OF PERSONALITY ETC
JUST SHOW ME THE WAY OUT AND I'LL LEAVE RIGHT AWAY BACK TO NORMAL PEOPLE!
I DON'T WANT TO GET GNAWED BY ANYBODY!
NORMAL PEOPLE... HAH!
I CAN CONTACT A FRIEND OF MINE WHO'S A VAMPIRE, SHE CAN BITE YOU RIGHT AWAY...
NO!! WAIT!
SORRY MAN, BUT ONCE YOU'RE IN YOU STAY HERE FOREVER.
WHAT?!

B-BUT!! EXCUSE ME! I WAS KIDNAPPED! I HAD ABSOLUTELY NO INTENTIONS ON COMING HERE!
OH REALLY? AND HOW DID THAT HAPPEN?
THAT THING ATE ME AND THREW ME UP HERE!
R-R-R
ACTUALLY I THINK IT'S A SHARK... AND IT WAS MUCH BIGGER AND SCARIER A WHILE AGO...
AND THERE WAS THIS LADY TOO, WHO SEEMED TO BE IN CHARGE OF THE SITUATION!
WAS SHE ACCOMPANIED BY A REALLY TALL HUGE DOLL...?
KRE-E-EK

KLAK
WHAT?
OH, YOU ALREADY BROUGHT HIM HERE! GOOD BOY FISHSTICKS!
IT WAS HER!!
HIH!
COME HERE BUDDY!
WHAT'S THAT? YOU BATTLED A DRAGON!
AND WON! YOU'RE SO BRAVE, YES YOU ARE!!
HAHAA LOOK AT THAT PLUMP FACE OF YOURS!
YOU'RE SO SQUISHY
YOU'RE THE BEST AND CUTE!!
LANDSHARK THERE IS, FUCKING WONDERFUL GLORIOUS THING YES YOU ARE!
UBUBUBU!

HEY WA
MINUTE..
WELL WOULD YOU LOOK AT THIS!

ISNT THIS HUMAN TECHNOLOGY?
SURELY AN OFFICER LIKE YOU KNOWS THAT SUCH THING

..IS NOT PERMITTED
NEITHER S KIDNAPPING PEOPLE

HEY SHES THE CRIMINAL HERE CALL THE POLICE OR SOMETH NG!
YEAH! I'LL DEAL WITH THIS ALRIGHT!

MEANWHILE YOU CAN ENJOY THE HOSPITALITY OF THE REHOMING CENTER!

KLANG!

HERE'S OUR GARDENER, THEY WILL SHOW YOU TO YOUR ROOM!
WELCOME!
THIS WAY!
COME ON!
UM...
GIVE HIM THE ATTIC ROOM THAT HAS A BATH!

KEEP AN EYE ON HIM
HHHH!
SO!
WHAT THE FUCK SELA! DID YOU REALLY KIDNAP A HUMAN AND BRING IT HERE!?
I HAVE TO GET RID OF HIM AND MAKE A PROFIT OF IT, TOO.
AM DONE WITH THAT BUSINESS!
NOTHING IN THIS WORLD IS GOING TO GET ME BACK IN THAT STUFF!
I BROUGHT YOU BATTERIES.
FOR YOUR GAMING CONSOLE.
AND YOU'RE GOING TO HELP ME
NO WAY
WE COULD JUST KILL HIM AND GET RID OF THE BODY, THAT WOULD BE EASIEST
NAPS

NO. I NEED THE MONEY PEOPLE PAY MOST FOR LIVING HUMANS.

WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU PLANNING? YOU'VE ALREADY GOT MORE THAN ENOUGH COIN IN YOUR POCKET

THAT'S NONE OF YOUR BUSINESS

I'LL FIND YOU A BUYER WHO CAN KEEP THEIR MOUTH SHUT...

OH, HOW'S MY LITTLE BROTHER DOING?

I'M SO USED TO SEEING HIM ALWAYS TRAIL BEHIND YOU, IT'S WEIRD WHEN HE'S NOT HERE

TOSKA IS HAVING SOME... BUSINESS OF HIS OWN.

YOU'RE NOT SERIOUS...

HE'S SO FUCKING DUMB HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW WHICH WAY IS UP OR DOWN

I'LL BE BACK TOMORROW, I EXPECT YOU TO HAVE THE BUYER BY THEN

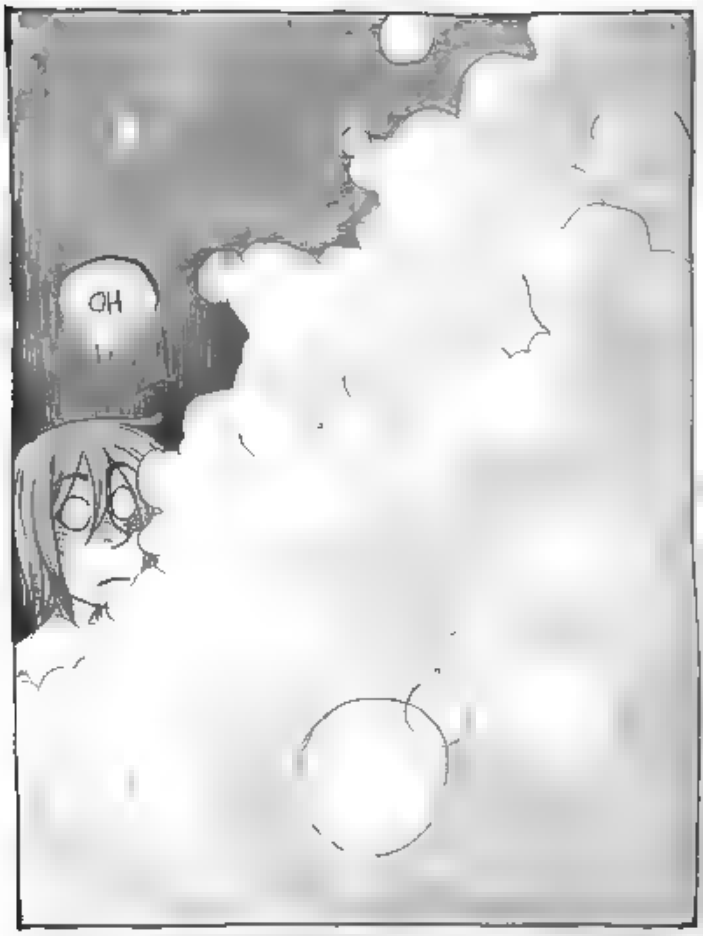
THIS TASK IS SO SIMPLE HE ABSOLUTELY COULDN'T FAIL

YOU DON'T HAVE TO HOLD MY HAND, YOU KNOW
THIS HERE, YOUR ROOM!

I'M CAN STAY IN ANOTHER ROOM..
AAAAAHH!! WHAT HAVE YOU DONE!!
I'M NOT TOO FOND ON SALMONELLA..
NO! WE WILL CLEAN!
GUOOH
GET UP! UP!!
HELLO
YOU!! DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT GOING
BATH
KLAK
TSUF

SNIF
AAARGHH!! I DO SMELL HORRIBLE!
I'LL NEVER WEAR THAT JACKET AGAIN!

A BATHTUB!?
HM?
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT THESE ARE...
BUBBLING
Curly Charge
WELL, AS LONG AS GET THE SHARK VOMIT OFF OF ME!


OH

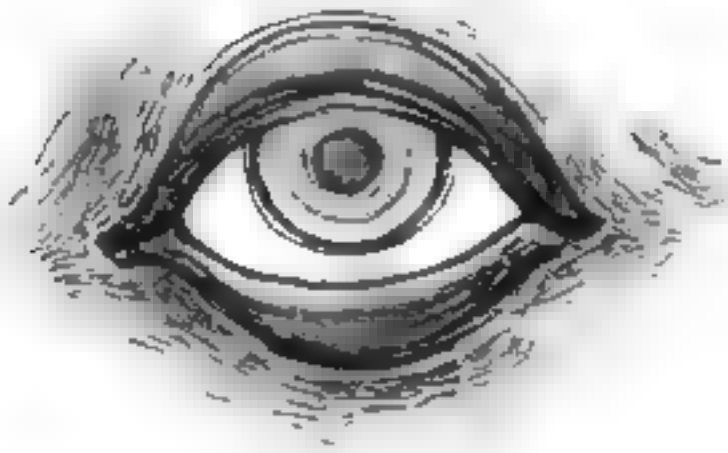
I DON'T EVEN WANT TO THINK ABOUT HOW MANY PEOPLE AND. OTHER THINGS HAVE TAKEN A BATH IN HERE... GROSS...
I'LL JUST HAVE TO ENDURE FOR NOW

WELL THAT'S A LOT OF FOAM

UGH ! CANT WAIT TO GET AWAY FROM HERE! . OH I'M BE SO MAD IF NOT AT HOME TILL TOMORROW.
WONDER WHAT MIKO AND LEONA ARE UP TO
KLINGG

END OF
CHapter 4

Chapter 5
the Heen Passage



NOT QUITE WHAT I EXPECTED, BUT COOL NEVERTHELESS.
WE'RE NOT THERE YET. THIS IS JUST THE PASSAGE.
THE HEZ JOIN WHICH BINDS OUTSIDE TO MY WORLD, IS SOMEWHERE THERE IN THE MAZE OF DIRT AND RUBBLE:

I HOPE YOU HAVE SOME SORT OF A MAP, THEN...?
THE DOOR SPITS YOU IN A DIFFERENT PLACE EVERY TIME!
A MAP WOULDN'T BE ANY USE
THERE IS A WAY TO FIND YOUR WAY OUT OF HERE
EMBRACE THE ILLOGICALITY OF THE WORLD MIKO
DON'T WORRY MY SMALL HUMAN FRIENDS

THIS IS GOING TO BE ONE LONG JOURNEY

HMM ♪
♫ HMM-MM HM HM-M ♪
♪ HUMM ♫ HMMM-HM HM ♫ HEY!
THAT ALL MY FRIENDS ARE PROBABLY DEAD OR AGAIN TO DIE?
A BIT GLOOMY HERE ISN'T IT?
WHAT ARE YOU INVOLVING WITH SUCH FARE?
JUST FORGET THAT STUFF FOR NOW
I'LL TELL YOU MORE ABOUT THIS CAVE TO HEER YOU UP!
NO

ENTERED TH
MS
HASTE
TRIED TO KILL
ALL THE T
PUNCH
ALL
THE
ENTERED PRO
BUT
HAVE THEM
T WAS PLEASURE
COULD
FAT
SKULL HOLE
CA SEE THROU
LUCK CAME
UP WITH
MAGIC RUNE

DOESNT ATTRACT
WITTERS!
EVENTUALLY YOU
WAY IT
LOVE F
ANY OF THE
IT WHAT HAPP
WHEN YOU TURN
RIGHT?
VERY CENTER OF
THIS PLACE
WHAT IN THE
CENTER
AND THAT
SOMETHING THAT'S
BETTER LEFT ALONE
HE TRIED EXPLAIN
IT TO ME BUT
VERY GOOD AT
UNDERSTANDING

WELL, ISN'T THA A HUGE LOAD OF BULLSHIT
EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT IF YOU KEEP TURNING IN ONE DIRECTION YOU'LL GET OUT! AND IT WORKS IN BOTH WAYS
NO! SELA SAYS IT'S SOME SORT OF DEEP MAGIC CODED INTO THIS PLACE!
KNOWS THE STUFF
THEN WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WHEN THE PATH IS BLOCKED
MAYBE WE COULD USE THE DIRECTIONS FROM THE CRYSTAL BALL.
OR READ SOME TAROT CARDS
WEND UP CRAWLING ONE BUILDING OVER AND OVER AGAIN?
MAYBE WE COULD SQUEEZE THROUGH HERE?

HUI!!
FLEPA

WUH WELL! FEET YOU HAVE!
TSUP
AWAY FROM THE DARKEST CORNERS
HERE, LET ME HELP YOU WITH THIS.
SPRUIK

ABOUT THAT
THEY TEND TO CLING ON TIGHTLY
DO YOU MIN
WHATEVER YOU WANT
KRUNTS
SORRY
WOULD YOU LIKE TO TASTE SOME TOO
FUCKING HELL NO!!
JUST KIND OF ATE YOUR BLOOD THERE!
IT'S LIKE SECOND HAND CANNIBALISM!
LEONAAAA

THAT WAS FUN BUT WE BETTER KEEP MOVING!
THAT WAS ONE OF THE MOST DISGUSTING THINGS EVER.
HANG IN THERE BUDDY WE HAVE TO ENDURE FOR COLIN!
YEAH.
THIS PLACE AMAZING THOUGH
I'PE THAT WHEREVER COLIN IS HE GETS TO SEE SOME COOL THINGS ALSO

HHHAAAH
FINALLY A BREAK
THIS CAVE CONTINUES ON FOREVER!!

HATE WALK... BORING AS HELL
AND WHILE OUR TOUR GUIDE IS TAKING A NAP –
CAN KILL TIME BY TRYING OUT SOME TRICKS
TRICKS? WHAT THE HEEEECK!!!

LONA! YOU REMEMBER WHAT THAT FREAKY DUDE TOLD US!
YOU USE THAT THING YOU'RE GOING TO
NOW LISTEN MIKO!
YOU KNOW THE KIND OF PERSON I AM, I'D RATHER GO DOWN HARD AND FAST-
-THAN BE IDLE JUST SO I CAN GET A FEW MONTHS MORE TIME
I'M ONLY ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT BE THERE FOR ME WHEN I'M MAKING THE BEST OF WHAT WE LEFT
OH TO THE HELL WITH YOU... FINE, THEN.

YOU KNOW I WORRY ABOUT YOU A LOT, BUT IF THAT'S WHAT YOU WISH...

I PROMISE NOT TO HOLD YOU DOWN

PAT

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

OH RIGHT, I'VE BEEN MEANING TO ASK YOU SOMETHING!

BUT BACK THERE AT MY PLACE I REALLY GAVE YOU A GOOD BEATIN

WITH AT LEAST A GAZILLION HANDS

KNOW IT'S GONNA TAKE ME SOME TIME TO LEARN HOW TO USE THIS PROPERLY

DIDN'T DO IT
INSIDE UNDER HER DRESS.
KIND OF ACTS LIKE A SELF-DEFENCE MECHANISM?

L-LEONA!!!
HOLY SHIT!
I'M OKAY
CHECK IT OUT!!

FOR A SECOND THERE I ACTUALLY THOUGHT THAT I WAS A GONER..!
SSSRRTHHH..
COME NOW MIKO, YOU PROMISED!
RRRRMM MMGGH HHHH HHH HHH
WHAT IT FEELS LOSS WHEN THE HANDS ARE GOING BACK TO MY BACK
YOU KNOW THOSE MOMENTS WHEN YOU'VE LOST THE REMOTE CONTROL AND YOU'RE TOO LAZY TO CHANGE THE CHANNEL MANUALLY?
I'LL NEVER HAVE TO GET UP AGAIN WHEN I'M GOT THESE HANDS
IF THAT ISN'T WORTH DYING FOR THEN I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS!

MY HAIR!
WHAT IN THE HEAVENS NAME!?

THIS IS THE WORST!

I HATE THIS PLACE!
GROAAAANNN
KNARRR..
EH?
WHAT ON EARTH IS IT THIS TIME?
PANTS!?!
...

GO AWAY SHOOO!!
VILIST
HEY! WHERE'D YOU GO-
OH!
NEW BLOOD!
WELCOME!

I'M PAM, I USED TO STUDY LINGUISTICS BEFORE!
THEN I TRANSFERRED TO AUSTRIA WHERE I ATTENTED TO THIS STUDENT PARTY AND SOMEONE HAD BROUGHT A "REAL" WEREWOLF PELT...
LONG STORY SHORT I WORE IT AS A JOKE AND NOW I'M A WEREWOLF!
I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR A TRANSFER TO A HAVEN NEAREST THAILAND FOR FIVE YEARS NOW!
YOU'RE... A WHAT?
A WEREWOLF!
SO, WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

I... I GOT EATEN BY A SHARK WITH TINY LEGS.
AND I'VE BEEN VERY CONFUSED SINCE THEN.
...THAT TROLL BEHIND THE COUNTER DIDN'T REALLY TELL YOU A THING, DID HE.
WELL, NOTHING THAT DIDN'T BRING OUT MORE QUESTIONS

YOU KNOW WHAT? WHY DON'T WE TAKE A LITTLE TRIP TO THE CITY, I'LL SHOW YOU AROUND!
OH, I DON'T KNOW...
C'MON, IT'LL BE FUN!
I KNOW IT'S HARD TO ADJUST FIRST, BUT IT'LL GET EASIER AFTER TIME!
AH I MEAN... THE THING IS, I DON'T REALLY LIKE CROWDS OF PEOPLE NOR AM I FOND OF THE IDEA OF GETTING OUT OF THIS ROOM AFTER ALL I'VE BEEN THROUGH TODAY...
OH I SEE...
BUT THATS OKAY!
BECAUSE WE CAN CHECK OUT THE CITY FROM THE ROOFS WITHOUT HAVING TO BUMP INTO ANYONE!
SHHP-KLAK!

EH?
WAIT, I'LL JUST TIE HIM UP BEFORE WE GO!
THIS IS THE LOWER PART OF MY FRIEND WHO GOT JINXED.
OKAY! NOW WE'RE READY!
B-BUT WAIT! DON'T THINK THIS IS A GOOD IDEA!
WE'VE ONLY KNOWN EACH OTHERS FOR FIVE MINUTES!
I'M THE TYPE OF PERSON THAT DOESN'T REALLY ENJOY TRYING OUT NEW THINGS, ESPECIALLY IF IT MEANS CLIMBING ON A ROOFTOP WEARING ONLY A BATHROBE! THAT'S-

THAT IS..
SOMETHING THAT LEONA WOULD DO
IF YOU SAY YOU'RE A PATHETIC WIMP, DO SOMETHING OPPOSITE TO BOOST YOUR EGO A BIT!
OH
NOW, NOW, I DON'T WANT TO FORCE YOU OR ANYTHIN-
I CHANGED MY MIND.
TAKE ME...
TO THE ROOF!

HAHAHA YOU'RE BEING SO DRAMATIC!
CUTE!
HERE, TAKE MY HAND!
DON'T WORRY, IT'LL BE OKAY!
I'M NOT AFRAID!
AWESOME!
BUT YOU KNOW.
I'D BETTER TURN SO IT'LL BE EASIER TO MOVE AROUND!

AND ALSO...
I WANT TO SHOW YOU HOW COOL THIS IS!

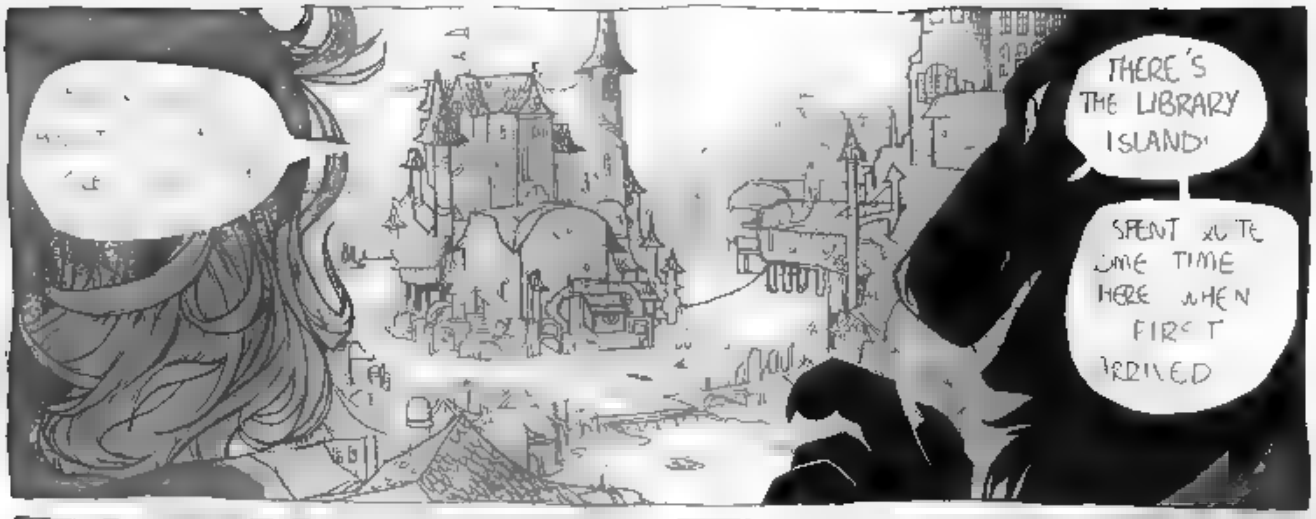
YAAAAAH
SNAPP!
UHHH PLEASE DON'T EAT ME OR BITE ME OR ANYTHING.
NAAH, I'M NOT ONE OF THOSE SAVAGES!
AND ONE CAN'T TURN YOU INTO A WEREWOLF BY BITING SO DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT EITHER.
WELL THAT'S REASSURING
ANYWAYS, ARE YOU STILL UP FOR SOME ROOFCLIMBING?
FWIP.

E MADE UP MY MIND SO LET'S GO!
YU...
HMMM MAN YOUR WINDOW FACES TO THE DIRTY SIDE OF THE STREET

HOP ON MY BACK AND LET'S GO!
UH, I'LL PUT ON SOME PANTS FIRST
HUFF
UH

OOOH MAN!
W-W-WERE REALLY CLOSE TO THE EDGE...!
HAHA DON'T WORRY I'LL CATCH YOU IF YOU SLIP!
HEY LOOK, THAT'S THE MINISTRY!
FILLED WITH PUREBREEDS AND OTHER "BETTER FOLK"
OUR MAJESTY ALSO LIVES THERE, BUT THEY'RE JUST A FIGUREHEAD
IT'S THE INBRED COUNCIL THAT MAKES ALL THE DECICIONS

THOSE SHITHEADS HATE HUMANS AND ALL THAT HAVE HUMAN BLOOD WITHIN
THEY EVEN WENT SO FAR IN THEIR PHOBIA THAT THEY CLOSED THE BORDER FIVE YEARS AGO
THAT'S ALSO THE REASON I'M STUCK HERE, IT'S SO HARD TO GET TRANSFERRED
THEY'VE PLANTED THEIR HATE FOR HUMANS DEEP INTO PEOPLES MINDS
YOU SHOULD CONSIDER SWAPPING
I'M REALLY NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THE IDEA...
EEEH SUIT YOURSELF BUT YOU'LL RUN INTO TROUBLE SOONER OR LATER
BUT TRUTH TO BE TOLD, I WASN'T TOO HAPPY ABOUT BEING A WEREWOLF AT FIRST EITHER
IT HAS ITS PROS AND CONS, FULL MOONS ARE HELL BECAUSE I LOSE CONTROL OVER MYSELF


THERE'S THE LIBRARY ISLAND!
SPENT QUITE SOME TIME HERE WHEN FIRST ARRIVED

AND FAR OFF THERE ARE THE NUMEROUS UNIVERSITIES AND CAMPUSES

WHAT'S THAT?

OH

THAT!
MINK TRYS BEEN TRYING TO
PIKOKAI, JUST LIFTED THE WHOLE THING UP IN THE AIR
I'D SAY THEY'RE NOT BREAKING ANY RULES... SORT
IT'S A UM, A SORT OF AN AMUSEMENT PARK ON THE SKY...

COME!
LET'S GO CHECK THE OTHER SIDE -
WHOS THAT!

I THINK WE'D BETTER GET BACK INSIDE..

WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT ?!
THUNK

THINK YOU'VE ALREADY GOT SOME FANS
A

¡AAHH!! MY BED!!!

T'S YOU AGAIN! WITH THAT WIDE, SMUG EXPRESSION AS ALWAYS! EW!

RRRG!!!
HEY! I KNOW THAT SHARK!

I WANT IT OUT OF MY BED!
ACTUALLY I THINK YOU SHOULD KEEP IT CLOSE JUST IN CASE
H H?
IF IT'S TAKEN A LIKING TO YOU, I'LL PROBABLY LOOK AFTER YOU, LIKE A DOG
YOU BETTER LOCK THE DOORS AND WINDOWS
SAFE AS LONG AS
WELL, I'D BETTER RETURN MY FRIENDS BUTT TO HIM.
IF YOU NEED ME I'LL BE SLEEPING IN THE ROOM NEXT TO YOURS!

I SUPPOSE YOU WOULDN'T WANT TO SLEEP ON THE FLOOR?

O.K.
EVEN SLEE

CAN'T SLEEP
WITH A
BEAST ON MY BED.

AT LEAST YOU
GET TOO COMFORTABLE
WITH PEOPLE LIKE
GABRIEL
BELIEVE
TALKING

SFT
IT DISTURBS ME WHEN YOU'RE ON TOP OF THE SHEETS
DONT YOU GET COLD?
WHUM

I CAN'T BELIEVE I JUST DID THAT
SKATR

SKRTS

- IS THE BOY
SAW EARLIER -

END OF
CHAPTER 5

THUMP
KRUNTS
KRA
THUNK
SSSHHHHHH
KRAK
POW
MUKTS
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THUNK
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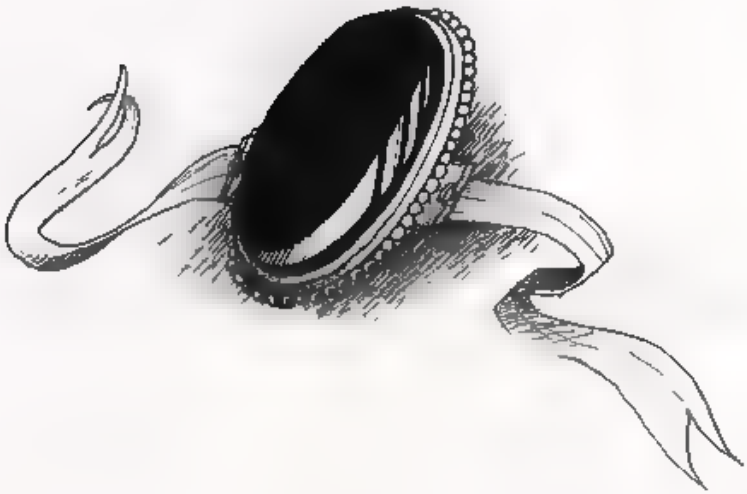
CHAPTER 6

THE MARVELLOUS LORD OF THE SKY



HOOM
QUICK! IN THE BATHROOM!
IT W-WON'T FIT IN HERE
DONT TOUCH ME KHH!
THUNK

REALLY WAS NOT PREPARED FOR THAT
KEEP AN EYE ON IF IT SHRINKS AG-AGAIN!
MEANWHILE I'LL DEAL WITH YOU!
LETS START WITH THE HAIR
AARH WHAT'S TH ALL THE RUCKUS!?
DID PAM INVITE HER PACK OVER AGAIN?
IS THE NEW RESIDENT!
SOMETHING IS WRONG! DOOR WON'T BUDGE!
GO FETCH SELA RIGHT AWAY
I'M NOT DEALING WITH THIS CRAP ALONE

STOP IT!!
STOP!!!

OH STOP, JH. SQUIRMING! I MIGHT POKE YOU IN THE EYE!
AAHH! MY HAIR!
WE NEED TO KEEP YOU IN-IN-IN ONE PIECE!

WE SAW YOU ON THE STREET AND I KNEW RIGHT AWAY
YOU'RE A REAL HUMAN!
KLIP KLIP

GODS ARE SMILING UPON US, MANY WILL PAY US FOR YOUR ORGANS, THE EYES, TEETH LIVER AND EVEN HAIR...

BUT YOUR HEART YOUR HEART WE'RE GOING TO KEEP TO OURSELVESES.

TJIK

N-WHAT IS IT!?

EEEY EXCUSE ME BUT COULD WE NEGOCIATE OR SOMETHING.
IT'S THE BRIGADE!!
HOP ON!
WE'RE OUT OF HERE!
I WON'T SUBJECT TO YOUR STUPID LAWS! OPEN UP THE BORDERS!
AND STOP FEEDING US ALL THOSE LIES, WE'RE FED UP WITH THE P-PROPO-PRO PO GADANDA!
UHH
PLEASE... THINK ABOUT ALL THE PAPERWORK I'LL HAVE TO DO.

SPAT
KREEEKKK...
KRAK..
OH
SNAP

THUNK
UM... I DIDN'T... DIDN'T REALLY THINK T-THIS THROUGH...
THIS ISN'T REALLY HELPING US ESCAPE, ISN'T IT
UH
POK
I'M STILL OPEN FOR SOME FRUIT ATTACK
NO!
PONK
THUNK
TUNK
OH BABE, I'M SO SORRY.
FAILED AND NOW WE'RE STUCK IN A B B BATH ROOM!

RUN
SPLOSH

WELL THIS IS FUCKING INCONVENIENT
KLING
DOOROWLS I'LL NEED SELA HERE ASAP
ALSO CLEAN THIS MESS!
SHE'S ON HER WAY!
SHOULD I BRING YOU SOME COFFEE TOO?
BETTER NOT. AND DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT, JH, BATHTUB!
THE REDHEAD?
DIDN'T EVEN HAVE THE TIME TO CATCH HIS NAME!
I'LL HELP YOU GET HIM BACK!
WHAT'S WITH THE NOISE...
SOME IDIOTS JUST CRASHED IN AND TOOK THE NEW KID
YEA WHATEVER

AND IF I GET IN THE MINISTRY'S GOOD BOOK I COULD GET TRANSFERRED SOONER
GO FETCH MY PACK!
YOUR ENERGY GIVES ME A HEADACHE
OK! WE BETTER GET READY BEFORE SELA TURNS UP!
KRAK
AND SHE'S GOING TO BE PISSED SO LETS CLEAN UP
AND HOPEFULLY SHE WONT KILL ANY OF US FOR LOSING HER MONEY ON THAT BOYS HEAD

...AND THAT'S WHAT HAPPENED.
I LEAVE HIM HERE FOR ONE NIGHT
...AND HE GETS KIDNAPPED
UNBELIEVABLE
YEAH WELL
THIS ISN'T REALLY THE TOP SECURITY PLACE YOU KNOW.
THE SLIM STUTTERING ONE WAS A MAGIC USER!
AND THE OTHER ONE WAS REALLY BIG, LOOKED LIKE HE COULD SNAP ME IN TWO!

AND HEY, AT LEAST YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT GETTING RID OF HIM ANYMORE
OR
THEN
UH
MAYBE YOU DO...
GET YOUR ASS UP WE'RE GOING TO GET THAT KID BACK
EH!?
SERIOUSLY DON'T WANT TO GO HUMAN HUNTING IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT!
TOO MUCH EFFORT!
WHY WOULD YOU EVEN NEED ME?
BECAUSE YOU'RE PISSING ME OFF
OKAY

SO THEY JUMPED THROUGH THE WINDOW AND INTO THE WATER
I DON'T SEE WHERE THEY CONTINUED FROM THERE
I AM PROMISED TO HELP US TOO
THE GIRL THAT LIVES HERE WITH THE ONE WHO'S CUT IN HALF?
YA AND SHE SAID TH-
FUM

HEY!
HOOOHH!
YOU MUST BE THE OFFICER!
I'M PAM!
AND I'M HERE TO HELP YOU WITH MY PACK!
WHERE YOUR PAW
THIS IS A PERSONAL MISSION.
SORT OF
SO THANKS FOR THE HELP, BUT...

BUT WE WEREWOLVES ARE MASTERS AT FINDING LOST PEOPLE!
YEAH!
FINE
YES
WOO!
YESSS
YOU CAN GO GET THE SCENT FROM HIS BATHROOM AND FOLLOW THE LEAD
ME AND TAHIC WILL GO WITH FISHSTICKS
NHF
LET'S GO GET THAT FRECKLED BOY
HAHAHA IT'S ALWAYS HILARIOUS WHEN PEOPLE THINK YOU'RE THE GOOD GUY!
SLAM!

SERIOUSLY THOUGH WHY DID YOU LET THEM COME
HEY
THEY WERE
SO CUTE
I COULDN'T SAY NO
WHAT?
NOTHING!
LET'S GO!
HEH
FISHSTICKS WILL LEAD THE WAY

I CAN SEE PAM AND THE OTHERS SO GUESS WE'RE HEADING THE RIGHT WAY
IS NOT LIKE WE REALLY NEED THEM
BUT LET THE WOLVES THINK THEY'RE HELPING

EATING FISH STICKS BRINGS A LOT OF MEMORIES BACK WHEN TOSKA AND I WERE LITTLE
YEAH YOU TWO WERE FUCKING HORRIBLE
AMAZING THAT I DIDN'T KILL YOU BOTH
HAHA HEY!
RUDE!
YOU'RE BASICALLY OUR MOM! OR CLOSEST POSSIBLE THING TO IT
UGH PLEASE DON'T
IMAGINE OUR KIDS CALLING YOU A GRANDMOTHER!
PLEASE DON'T REPRODUCE EVER
EAAARGH
THIS IS WHERE THEY GOT UP

THE GROUND IS STILL WET, WE'RE GAINING UP ON THEM
HEY YOU'RE ALREADY HERE!
I'M SO READY TO KICK SOME ASS
WOOC!
KNOW WERE...
HOULD BE HILLED WHERE OLVES!
OS WE KNOW TO FIND PEOPLE
RR

NO WAIT ! GOT A BETTER ONE..
HOW ABOUT F-HOUND!
THAT'S NOT EVEN FUNNY
DAYOS NOTHING!
SHE'S HYENA
HAAHAH AHAH!
FATA Morgana
HARVEST SPECIAL
This weekend only!
HAPPY HOUR
XV-XX
Today performing
Luka
THEY WENT INTO A BAR
GOOD! WE CAN PARTY RIGHT AFTER WE SAVE HIM!
NOW HOLD ON A BIT!
THINK IT WOULD BE BETTER IF YOU WAITED OUTSIDE

BUT WE CAN HELP! WE WANNA FIGHT!
NO YOU'LL GUARD THE ENTRANCE.
AW COME ON!
DON'T LET ANYONE OUT UNTIL WE'RE DONE
TAHVO! DON'T EVEN TRY HIDING BEHIND THAT BIG FLUFF!
GET RID OF THE HAT, WE'RE OFF DUTY HERE
THOOM THOOM THO
YOU KEEP IT UNTIL WE'RE DONE
SNIF SNIF
NUUSK
FISHSTICKS AND TAHVO WILL COME WITH ME
SKRT
I'M ALREADY BREAKING EVERY POSSIBLE LAW SO LET'S TRY NOT TO BREAK A HAVOC.
...AND NOW YOU'RE DRAGGING ME DOWN WITH YOU.
HOLY SHIT TAHVO DON'T BE SUCH A BABY

DO YOU SEE THEM ANYWHERE?
UM
WELL!
DAMN THE HARVEST FESTIVAL AND THE MASKS.
AND FOR SOME FOLK I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S A FACE OR A MASK!

WAIT
WAIT THERE THEY GO!
THE BACKDOOR!

WE CAN'T LET THEM ESCAPE !!!
PLEASE DON'T BREAK ANYTHING...
OH COME ON MOVE!
THE FUCK ARE YOU CELEBRATING ABOUT GO HOME!
'M IN A HURRY HERE
RUDE!
CANT WAIT TO GET TO A NICE HOT BATH WHEN WE GET BACK...
AND THEN LL CHOP THE REDHEAD UP AND WE'RE OFF TO A BRAND NEW START!
KRASH

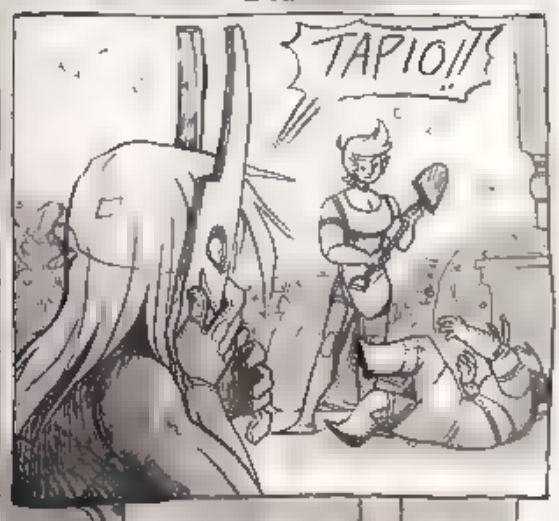
BAR FIGHT!
GIVE BACK THAT REDHEAD!!!
OH P-P-POOP
I, I, I'LL TAKE CARE OF HE-HER!
KLAATU-
-BARADA-

NN-N-NE-NE-NECKTIE!!
SKREEET
POP
PFFT

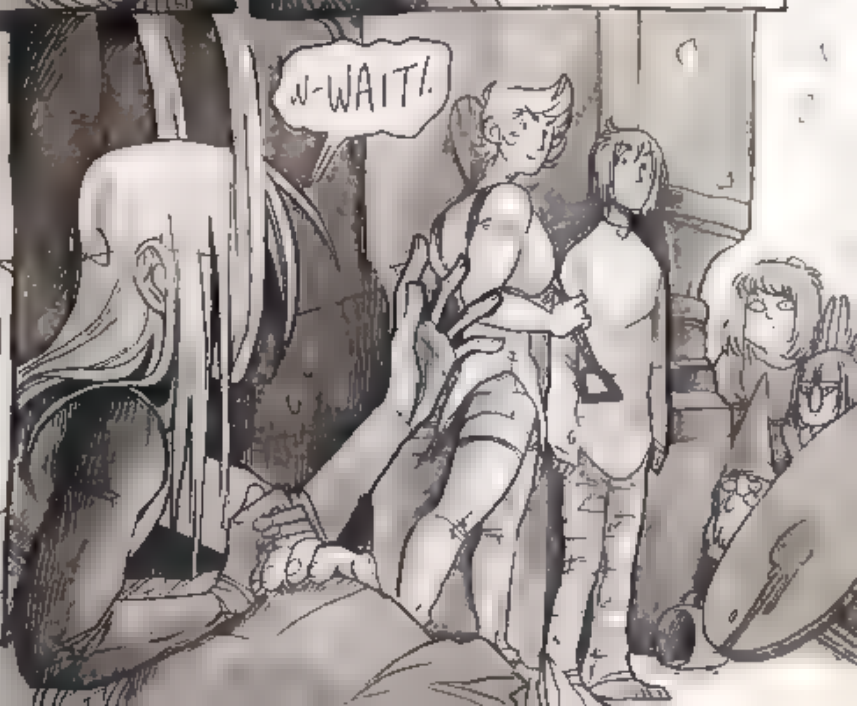
WELL THAT WAS EMBARRASSING!

THUNK!!

OH FUCK OFF
DON'T THROW UP ON ME


TAP10!!?

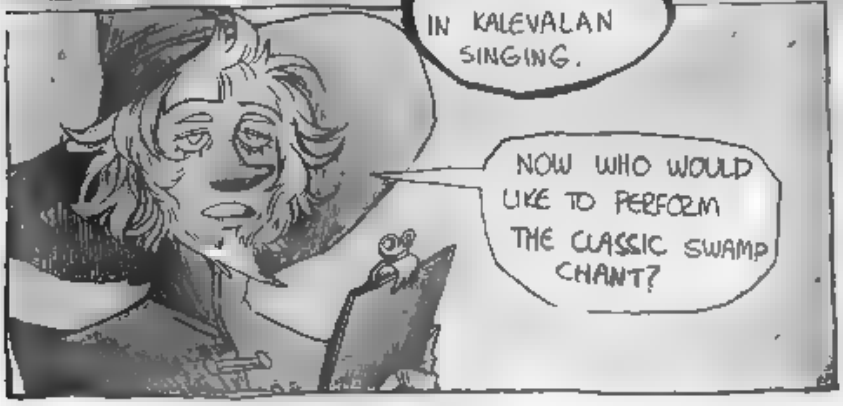
ARE YOU PLANNING ON FIGHTING? I'm JUST GETTING PUMPED
I KNOW BETTER THAN TO RUN FROM YOU NOW.


N-WAIT!

Y-Y-Y JJ
Y-YOU DON'T UN-UN-UNDERTAND OUR SITU-SITUTIATION!

SO PLEASE...
..PLEASE HEAR ME OUT!!

W-WE'RE BOTH STUDENTS AT THE ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF APPLIED ETHERICS


SPECIALIZING IN KALEVALAN SINGING.
NOW WHO WOULD LIKE TO PERFORM THE CLASSIC SWAMP CHANT?

AND TAPIO WAS THE CLASS PROD GY

HIS VOICE IS STRONG AND RICH
AND IT RESONATES WELL WITH THE ETHER
SHH
LL
OORPP
30 CM, AND EVEN INSIDE THE BOUNDARIES.
WELL DONE!
BUT HIS THEORY WAS BAD.
HAHA!
GOOD JOB MAN!
WOO!
YOU'RE THE COOLEST!
KALAVALE
YOUR PERFORMANCE WAS POOR
..EH?
N-IN-INSTEAD OF ALTERING THE SONG TO FIT YOUR STYLE YOU JUST USE WORDS SOMEONE ELSE HAS MADE ALREADY
YOU HAVEN'T USED ANY TIME AT ALL TO THINK ABOUT THE BASICS. I CAN TELL.

OH BOO!
UGH
WHAT A JEALOUS NERD!
...
DON'T CARE ABOUT THE HATERS TAPIO!
YEAH THEY CAN'T EVEN SING WELL
I'M NOT A SINGER MYSELF.
NOT ONLY I HATE PERFORMING-
-BUT MY INTERESTS LIE IN THE STUDY OF ETHER ITSELF
NATURALLY HE SEEKED FOR MY HELP TO BEST HIS SKILLS
HEY!
HEY WAIT.
YOU'RE UNTAMO, RIGHT? I'M TAPIO!
WH W-WHAT DO YOU WANT?
I WANTED TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID EAR-
AH, YES.
I'M GLAD YOU'RE OPEN TO FEEDBACK
YOU SEE WHEN I WATCHED YOU SING I UNDERSTOOD THAT INSTEAD OF DOING PROPER JOB ON THE BASICS-
-YOU DRAW YOUR MUSE FROM YOUR CONFIDENCE AND EGO
SOME PEOPLE CAN DO WELL WITH JUST NATURAL TALENT.
TO YOU IT MUST BE EASY, SINCE YOU'RE GOOD LOOKING AND CHARISMATIC WHICH LEADS TO POPULARITY, THUS STRONGER CONFIDENCE.

GOOD LOOKING? WAIT, DO YOU THINK SWEET OF ME?

WHAT?!

I-I-DIDN'T-

I'M JUST STATING THE OB-OBVIOUS!!

AW COME ON! DON'T STOP NOW, I REALLY DO LIKE ATTENTION!

URGH YOU'RE SO FULL OF YOUR-SELF!!

GO ASK COMPLIMENTS FROM YOUR FANS!

IN TIME WE GREW CLOSER

HEY CAN I COPY YOUR HOMEWORK

YOU WON'T LEARN ANYTHING THAT WAY!

HEY YOU GONNA FINISH THAT?

WHY DONT YOU BRING YOUR OWN FOOD!

ANYWAY HERE'S WONDERWALL...

YOU DONT KNOW ANY OTHER SONG, DO YOU

AND... AND EVEN MORE CLOSER.

SO YOU WANTED TO SHOW ME SOMETHING?

WELL, I MADE A POEM FOR YOU.

OH, YOU WROTE YOUR OWN VERSE? GOOD, LET'S HEAR IT!

UM, SORRY, I'M ACTUALLY PRETTY NERVOUS SO...

WELL THIS IS UNHEARD-OF!

GUESS EVEN YOU GET STAGE FRIGHT, WHEN PERFORMING ORIGINAL CONTENT.

NAH, YOU'RE THE ONLY PERSON . GET NERVOUS AROUND WITH.
OKAY! HERE GOES!
?
I'LL NEVER DO IT IF I DON'T DO IT NOW.!
UNLIKE OTHERS YOU WEAR NO DISGUSE
- WHAT KEEPS ME GROUNDED, YOUR SHARP EYES -
WHEN I SEE YOUR FACE ALL ELSE FADES-
WH
STOP
THERE'S A MISTAKE HERE, LET ME FIX IT FOR YOU.
HM, HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT THE METRE AT ALL?
"WHITE, GLISTENING HAIR", WHO ARE YOU WRITING ABOUT, THE SNOW QUEEN?

HAHA SEEMS LIKE AN ANNOYING PERSON.. HAH. H....
????
W-W-WAIT-
??
?!
IS IS... TH-THIS ABOUT.. M. M-ME ?
I HAVE A HUGE CRUSH ON YOU!
CPROUNG
NTAMO?
KLAK
I'M SO SORRY! I MADE YOU UNCOMFORTABLE!
..I - JUST NEED TO CALM DOWN!!
DO YOU... WANT ME TO GO AWAY?
NO!
...PLEASE STAY...
YOUR POEM WAS REALLY SWEET I'M... SO SORRY I CRITICIZED IT..
HAHA IT'S OKAY! IT WAS PRETTY BAD..

DO I REALLY HAVE A G-GLISTENING HAIR...
WELL, NO, BUT AT THE MOMENT IT SOUNDED GOOD.!
THOSE WERE THE HAPPIEST DAYS OF MY WHOLE LIFE.
PLOP
TAPIO'S MAGIC KEPT GROWING DRASTICALLY
SINCE HE LEARNED TO DRAW INSPIRATION FROM A DIFFERENT SOURCE.
PROFESSOR! HEY PROFESSOR!!
LET ME PERFORM THE SWAMP CHANT!
THIS REALLY ISN'T THE TIME, TAPIO!
IT'LL ONLY TAKE A WHILE!
I'M TRYING TO TEACH YOU ABOUT
BUT PROFESSOR!
TAPIO I'M-
JUST THIS ONCE!
WELL FINE
WHOA WHOA, WHOA! YOU GOT A NEW TRICK ON YA SLEEVE?
DUDE'S DEFINITELY PLANNING SOMETHING!
YOU'RE SUCH A SHOWOFF HAHA!

I CAN'T BELIEVE HE INTERRUPTED THE WHOLE CLASS?

WHAT ON A HOLY CONECOW IS HE DOING?
KRAK
MAKS
Theories on Constellations

BEFORE I BEGIN I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT I'M DEDICATING THIS SONG...

TO YOU, UNTAMO!
MY BEAUTIFUL, SASSY MUSE!

BLING

WH-?? WHAT!?
Theories on Constellations

THIS IS TOO MUCH!!
HOW CAN HE BE SO EMBARRASSING AND HORRIBLE AND STUPID AND SWEET!!?

DOING SOMETHING LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF THE WHOLE SCHOOL?!
Theories on Constellations

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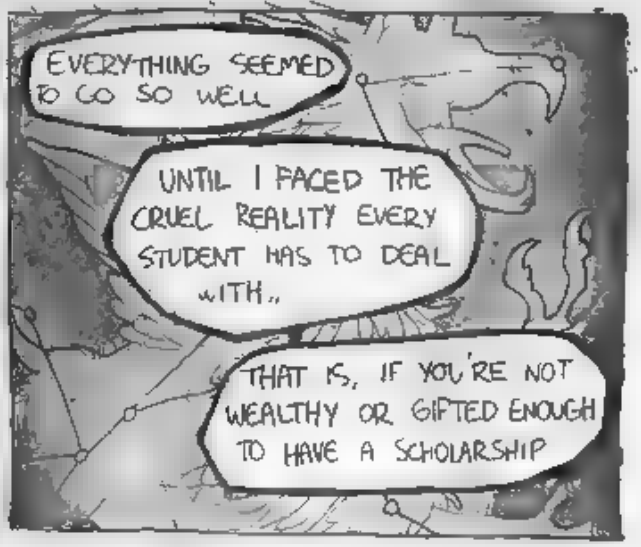
HE PROBABLY BROKE EVERY POSSIBLE RECORD THERE WAS IN OUR SCHOOL


EVERYTHING SEEMED TO GO SO WELL
UNTIL I FACED THE CRUEL REALITY EVERY STUDENT HAS TO DEAL WITH...
THAT IS, IF YOU'RE NOT WEALTHY OR GIFTED ENOUGH TO HAVE A SCHOLARSHIP

THE STUDENTLOANS

HEY WANNA GO HANG OUT BY THE RIVER

, CAN'T

NEED TO BUDGET MY COMING YEAR SOMEHOW.

THE NEW RESTRICTIONS FORCE ME TO GRADUATE ON TIME OR I'LL GET KICKED OUT OF THE SCHOOL... BUT I CAN'T DO THAT IF I DON'T GET A JOB TO PAY THIS ALL, AND I DON'T HAVE TIME TO WORK BESIDES SCHOOL OR I'LL START GETTING BAD GRADES!!

THEY'RE BASICALLY FORCING ME TO TAKE HUGE LOANS! I'LL GRADUATE INTO A DEBT SLAVERY!

HEY WHAT ABOUT THAT!

THE MINIS CALLS YOU!

GET A REMARKABLE MONEY PRIZE!

BE A VOLUNTEER TESTER! HELP YOUR NATION!

BE THE FIRST ONE TO TRY THE NEW HIT PRODUCT! IT WILL BOOST YOUR ABILITIES!

GET A DISCOUNT WH

COUPON

...YOU DO KNOW THIS IS JUST THE MINISTRYS WAY TO GET PEOPLE TO TEST THEIR STUPID IDEAS.

OH COME ON!

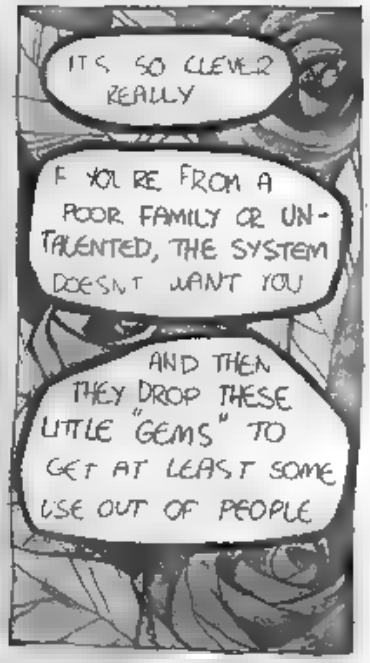
EVERY TIME I TRY TO HELP YOU BACK YOU JUST!! DO THIS!

THIS IS A HUGE AMOUNT OF MONEY AND I HAVE TWO EYES! WHO NEEDS TWO ANYWAY!

TARIO, YOU'RE NOT GIVING UP YOUR EYE TO PAY MY LOANS

THATS SO STUPID! YOU JUST RUSH INTO EVERYTHING AND NEVER THINK THINGS THROUGH!
YEAH! OK! WHATEVER!

I'M GOING FOR A WALK
YEH


IT'S SO CLEVER REALLY
IF YOU'RE FROM A POOR FAMILY OR UN-TALENTED, THE SYSTEM DOESN'T WANT YOU
AND THEN THEY DROP THESE LITTLE "GEMS" TO GET AT LEAST SOME USE OUT OF PEOPLE

FOR EXAMPLE. THESE SEEDS THEY PLANT ON PEOPLES EYES
THEY'RE SUPPOSED TO BOOST DIFFERENT AREAS IN THE BRAIN
MEMORY CAPACITE, MAGICAL ATTRIBUTES, REACTION TIME, GODS KNOW WHAT

ALL THEY NEEDED WAS A GOOD BUNCH OF GUINEA PIGS TO TEST THEM!

AND TAPIO
WAS DUMB... AND CHIVALROUS ENOUGH TO FALL RIGHT INTO IT
THE ROYAL GARDENS

SIGN HERE, HERE AND HERE
ALRIGHT!
THE PROCEDURE IS SIMPLE, FAST AND YOU WONT FEEL ANY PAIN AT ALL!
THE MONEY WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO YOUR ACCOUNT IN FIVE BUSINESS DAYS!
GOTCHA!
AH, WELCOME
SIT DOWN, PLEASE
THEY MAKE A SMALL DEEP CUT AND PLANT THE SEED INSIDE THE EYE
IT STARTS GROWING IMMEDIATELY, USING THE EYE AS NUTRITION
WHILE SPREADING ITS ROOTS THROUGH THE BRAIN.

UH
MMH
HOW ARE YOU FEELING?
IT... HURTS? I THOUGHT IT SHOULDN'T..?
HEADACHE OR PAIN IN THE EYE?
IN THE, UH, HEAD... LIKE A MIGRAINE...
NOW RELAX AND LET IT GROW OUT
SHLORPP!
WHAT A FINE SPECIMEN AND A SPLENDID COLOUR, TOO!

RUN THE BASIC PROCEDURE ON HIM.
NOW I'D LIKE YOU TO ASWER SOME QUESTIONS.
DO YOU FEEL NAUSEA, HEADACHES, ANY KIND OF DIZZINESS AT ALL?
WELL THIS WAS A COMPLETE WASTE OF TIME!
OH?
LOST YOUR VOICE?
WE BETTER BURN THIS BATCH RIGHT AWAY

THE SEED DIDN'T BOOST ANYTHING
IT WAS A DUD

AND TAPIO LOST HIS VOICE

HE HASN'T LAUGHED, CRIED, SCREAMED OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT SINCE THAT DAY
NOT A SINGLE VOICE I'VE HEARD
ONLY SILENCE

WE BOTH DROPPED OUT FROM SCHOOL
I USED ALL MY FREE TIME TO FIND A WAY TO ROOT THAT PLANT OUT

AFTER A YEAR OF RESEARCH
I FOUND... SOMETHING THAT COULD WORK
A SPELL

AND I NEED A HUMAN HEART FOR IT!

PLEASE

THAT WAS SO TOUCHING!
HE DID IT FOR LOVE!

YEAH.
AND?

AND.? TH-THAT'S IT?
THAT'S IT?
OH MY FUCKITY FUCK

I CAN'T BELIEVE-
-I LISTENED TO THE WHOLE STORY THINKING THERE'D BE SOME SORT OF A PUNCHLINE OR OTHER WORTHWHILE STUFF!

HOW DARE YOU THROW THIS GARBAGE AT MY FACE!
B BUT
COMPLETE WASTE OF MY TIME!
HOW CAN YOU BE SO COLD HEARTED!
RUDE
SO MEANIE
JUST INCREDIBLE
FINE!! SINCE THERE SEEMS TO BE SUCH NOBLE BENEFACTORS HERE
WHY DON'T WE HOLD AN AUCTION!

FRESH OUT FROM THE OTHER SIDE, REAL, GENUINE HUMAN BEING!
BUY HIM FOR YOURSELF OR DONATE HIM TO THESE POOR STUDENTS!

HEY! WHAT GIVES YOU THE RIGHT TO SELL ME!?
AAAND I WILL SNAP THE SPINE OF ANYONE WHO OPPOSES ME

UH... WAIT...

I OFFER FIVE COPPERS!

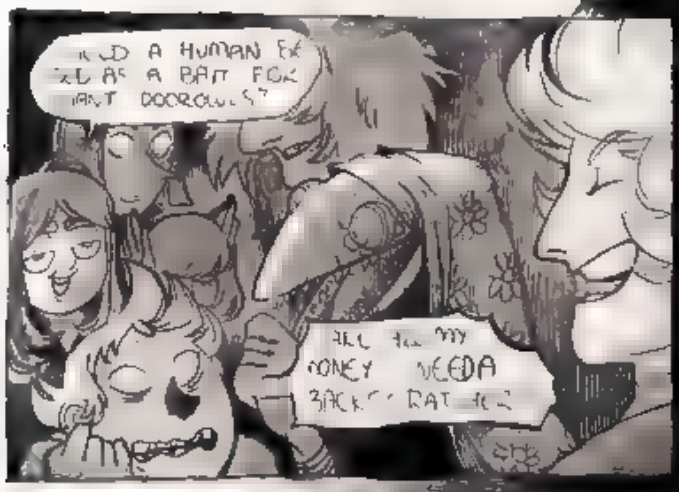
...ANYONE ELSE WANNA MAKE A BID?

ISN'T IT ILLEGAL TO HAVE A HUMAN?
HE LOOKS KINDA SCRAWNY
I HEAR THEY'RE POISONOUS
UM. I'M ALL OUT OF MONEY..
ONE GOLD PIECE

I OFFER ONE GOLD FOR THE HUMAN

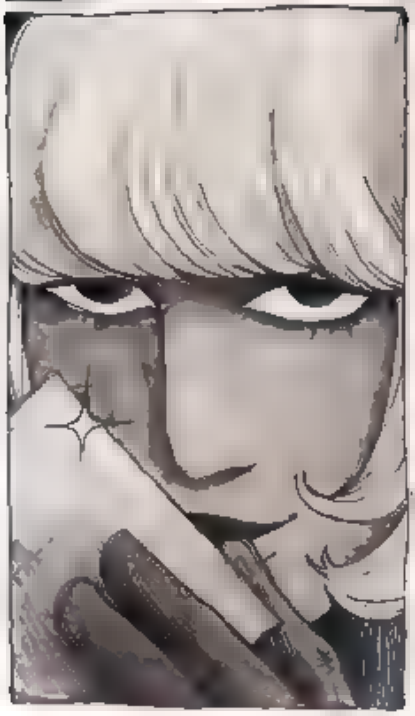
BECAUSE!
YOU KNOW
THERE ARE TONS OF WAYS TO USE A HUMAN!
BY BOILING THEIR EYEBALLS AND SNIFFING THE STEAM YOU CAN GET RID OF ASTHMA
AND YOU CAN USE THEIR HAIR TO CURE BALDING
AND I'VE HEARD THEY TASTE PRETTY DAMN GOOD
SO.. PAYING JUST ONE GOLD FOR ALL THIS IS PRETTY DAMN CHEAP
THREE GOLDS!
I BET IT CAN CURE MY SCIATICA!
I'VE ALWAYS WANTED A HUMAN PIÑATA! FIVE GOLDS!
I WANT HIM IN MY MOUTHHH
JHA
TAKE THESE.. UGGS.

PLEASE
E - SOM - ONEONE
HAHAH
AHAH
STOP!!!
DON'T JUST TREAT ME LIKE AN OBJECT!
I'M MORE USEFUL ALIVE!
I AM GOOD AT KEEPING THINGS IN ORDER, TAKING PHOTOGRAPHS AND...
AND! BEING TIDY!
I'M SURE I HAVE MORE TO GIVE TO THE WORLD THAN JUST BEING A PLAYTHING
KLK


A HUMAN
AS A BAIT FOR
MY
MONEY
BACK
RATHER

IT'S HER!

¡ALENCIA BONN?



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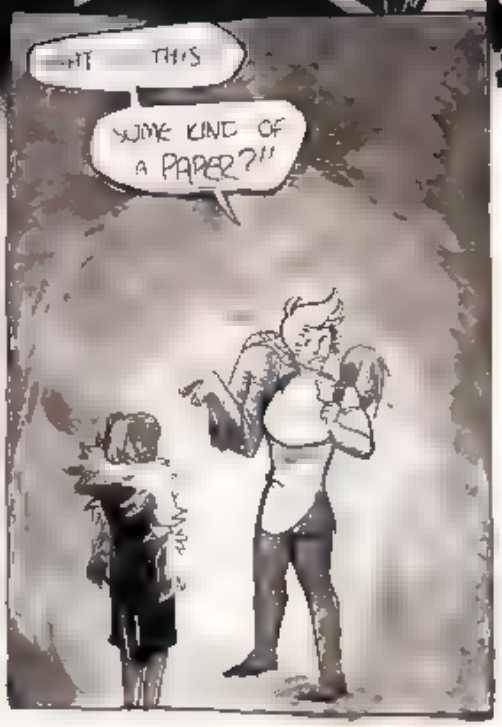
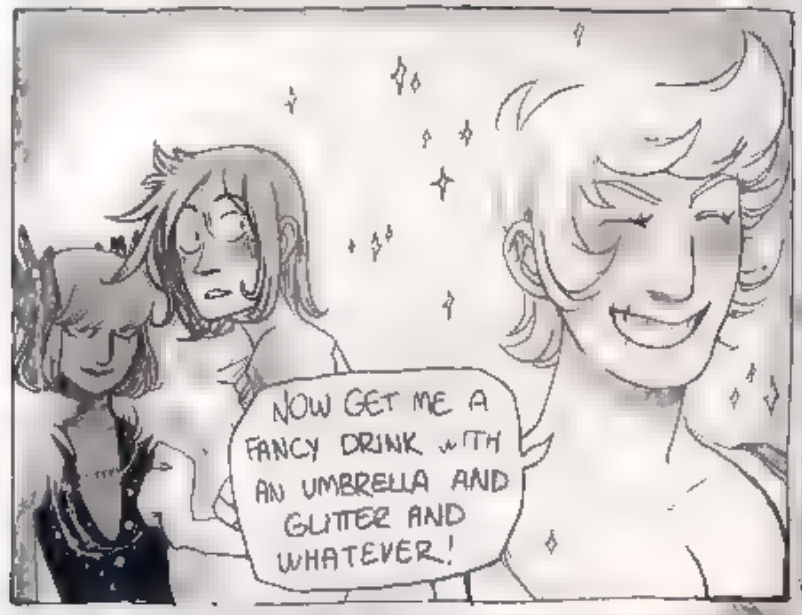
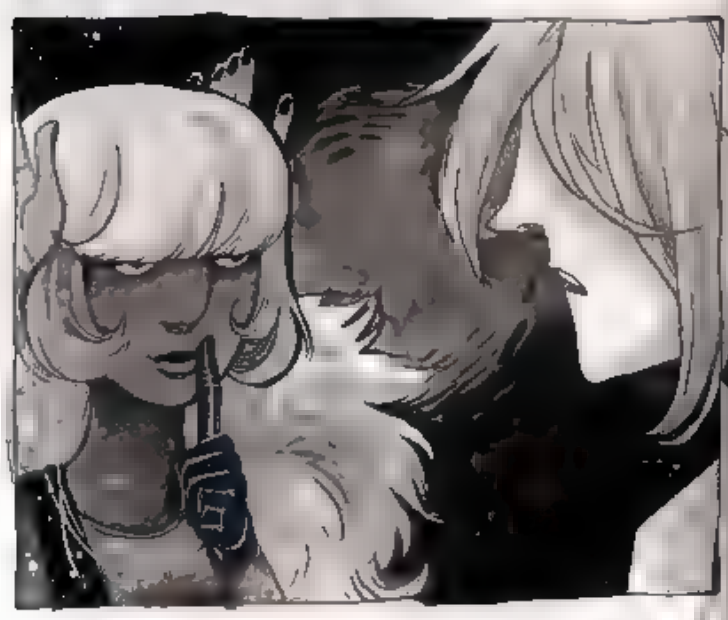

THIS
SOME KIND OF
A PAPER?!!

On Demand pay to
CHEQUE order of
100 Gold

SOLD!!
TO THIS FINE LADY!


NOW GET ME A FANCY DRINK WITH AN UMBRELLA AND GLITTER AND WHATEVER!

WOO! THAT WAS FUN!
LETS GET DRUNK
UM



COME

LADY VALENCIA!
READY TO LEAVE?
YOUR CARRIAGE AWAITS AT THE BACKDOOR AS ALWAYS
IF VALENCIA BONNY BOUGHT HIM, THERE'S ONLY ONE PLACE HE'LL BE TAKEN...
I-I-I WON'T GIVE UP ON YOU SO EASILY, RE-REDHEAD!

JM
EXCUSE ME? LADY?
THE SHARK-WOMAN DIDN'T REALLY HAVE ANY RIGHT TO SELL ME YOU KNOW!
SO DON'T THINK THAT YOU OWN ME!
I'M NOT YOURS!
I ENJOYED YOUR LITTLE SPEECH
SO I'M OFFERING YOU A JOB
WORK UNDER MY PROTECTION TO PAY YOUR DEBT
DECLINE, AND I'LL JUST CANCEL THAT CHEQUE

THIS WAS KIND OF SUDDEN? I MEAN, JUST WANT TO GET BACK HOME.

SEE

CANCEL
HE CHEQUE THEN

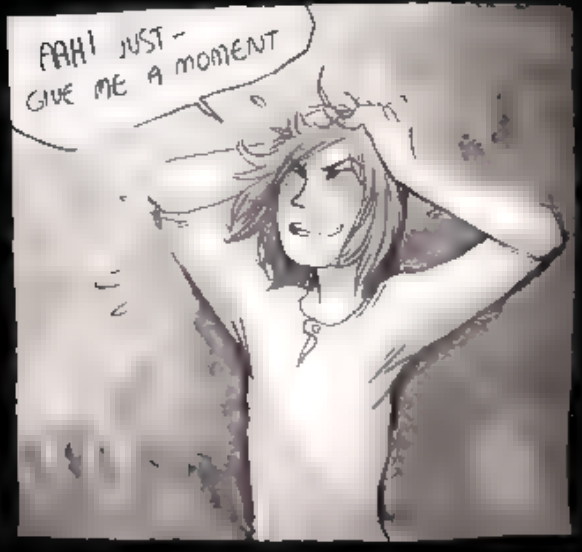
LADY VALENCIA! ITS GOOD TO SEE YOU AGAIN!

WAIT!

WHAT KIND OF JOB T WOULD BE BEEN

CLEANING

AH HMMM WHAT KIND OF CLEANING?
ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE THE JOB OR NOT


AAH! JUST - GIVE ME A MOMENT

OH BUGGER!
WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS

THE IMMIGRATION CENTER IS NOT SAFE...
CAN'T GO HOME AND, DEFINITELY DON'T WANT TO GET KILLED OR... OR EATEN
BUT TOUCHING OTHER PEOPLE'S TRASH AND MESS DOESN'T TICKLE MY FANCY EITHER!

EXCEPT THIS LADY VALENCIA SEEMS LIKE AN UPPERCLASS WOMAN
I BET SHE DOESN'T EVEN MAKE THAT MUCH MESS!

THERE MIGHT BE A CHANCE HERE! MUST BE READY TO WORK HARD...
MY FAMILY DIDN'T GET RICH BY ACCIDENT!

...DELICIOUS
KLAK
MM! WAIT

SPLAT
UM... LADY?
LET HIM IN
KHA!
KLAK!
RATULATIONS HUMAN

YOU'RE HIRED
HUFF - YOU WON'T - HUH - BE HHH -
D SAPPOINTED, MA'AM!
DIDJA SEE THAT?
I THIK IT WAS ONE OF THE TINY SKY-BOATS!
WHATEVER R

I'M ONLY WORRIED ABOUT HOW LONG DO WE HAVE TO WAIT!
THIS IS THE WORST WAY TO SPEND THE HARVEST FESTIVAL
DAMN OUR CANINE INSTINCTS AND THE URGE TO PLEASE!
THERE'S THREE PEOPLE AND ONE CAT GOING IN
PFFT
WE'RE ONLY SUPPOSED TO KEEP EVERYONE FROM COMING OUT
WHO CARES IF A FEW MORE GOES IN
I GUESS..
OH WAIT I CAME WITH A NEW ONE!
HOW ABOUT.. THIS MISSION IS PRETTY PAWFUL!
THIS MUST BE THE HELL

HAAHAHA DRINK UP!!
I REALLY LIKED THAT FAKE BID YOU PULLED!
AW SHUCKS, IT WAS NOTHING...
NAH KID YOU'RE SMART! REAL SMART!
SNARK
SNAP
KRUNTS
MIND IF I SIT HERE?
I'M SO FUCKIN GLAD IT'S FINALLY OVER!
I NEVER WANT TO SEE ANOTHER HUMAN AGAIN!
PAM!

YOU KNOW, I'VE HAD A REALLY WEIRD DAY!
I MEAN, I BOUGHT THIS CREEPY POSTER THAT TURNED OUT TO BE A DEADLY PARASITE

AND THEN OUR FRIEND GETS KIDNAPPED!
INTO A MAGICAL WORLD!
HAH!

I WONDER
HAVE YOU SEEN ANY REDHEADS LATELY?

HOW THE HELL

HI SELA!!
LOOK! LOOK AT MY NEW FRIENDS!

KRLING

WE KNOW YOU TOOK HIM!

TOSKA!!!
...SHE IGNORED US
GRAAA
HEY!!
ANOTHER BAREFIGHT!!!

KRUNTS
KLING
YOU BLOODY IDIOT!

YEAH DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT
THAT'S HOW THEY COMMUNICATE

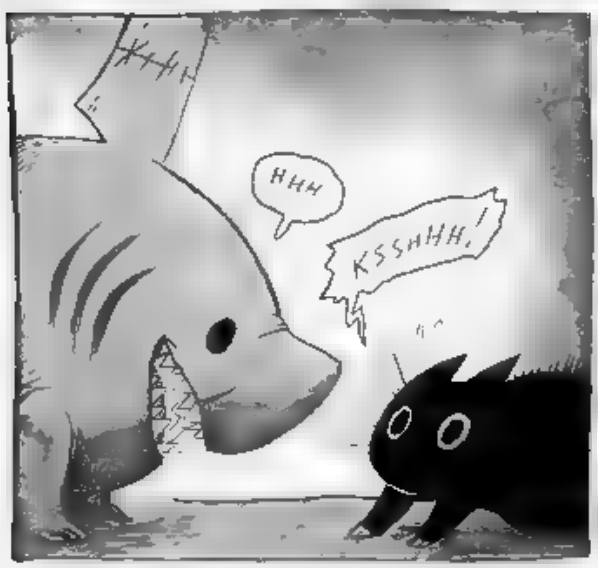
YOU HAD ONE JOB!!
THEY ALWAYS FIGHT WITH EACH OTHER FOR SO LONG THEY FORGET WHERE IT ALL STARTED
DID I ASK TOO MUCH!?
DID I?
BUT THEY'RE NICE! THEY ARE MY FRIENDS!

OH AND
YOUR FRIEND JUST LEFT.
COLIN!!
IS HE OKAY!?
WHERE IS HE!

A LADY CALLED VALENCIA BONNY BOUGHT HIM.
NO WAY! WAS ACTUALLY KIDNAPPED...
WHAT?! HOW!
BOUGHT!?

HE WAS PROBABLY TAKEN TO THE GIANT SHIP ON THE SKY
THERE'S ONLY ONE, YOU CAN'T MISS IT
NO! I CAN'T DENY OUR FRIENDSHIP.. I WENT WILLINGLY WITH THEM!
AARGH!!
WHY ARE YOU TELLING ALL THIS?

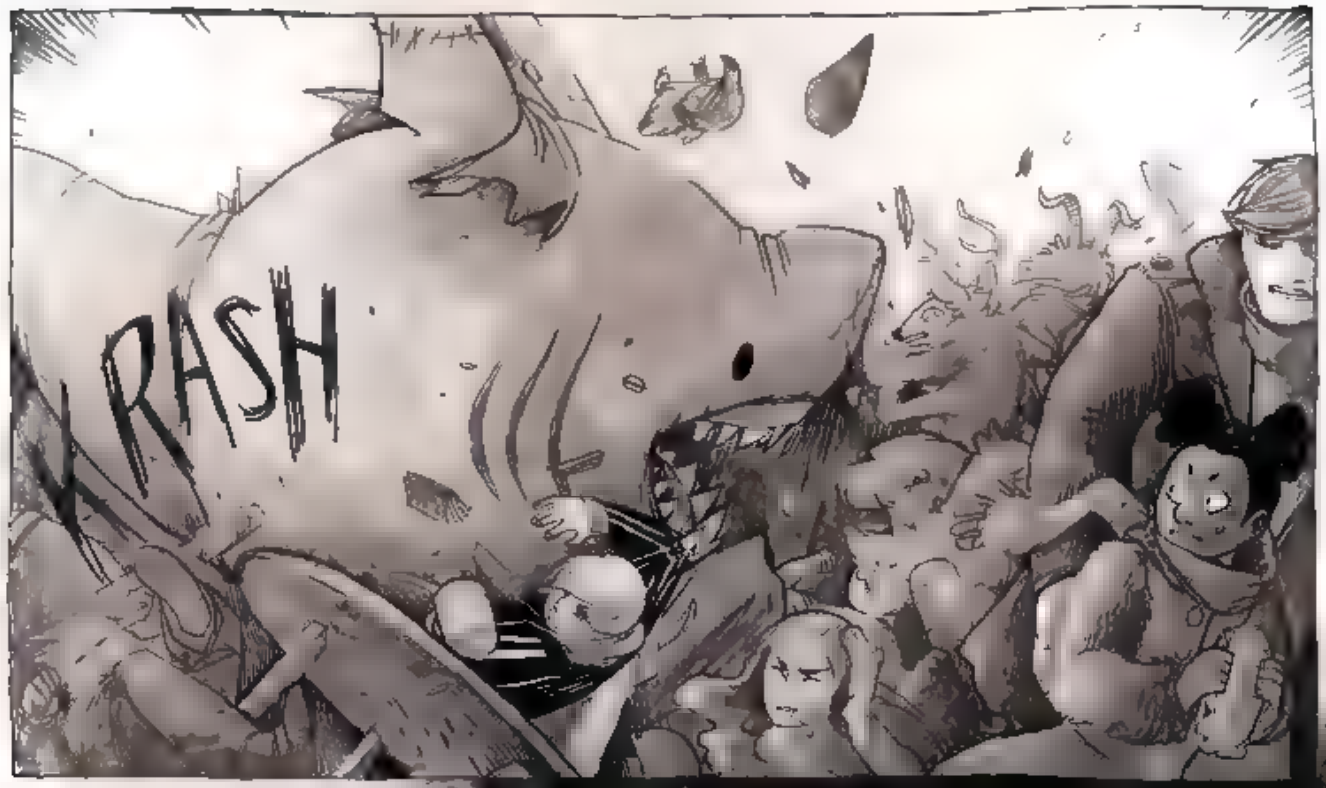
I JUST WANT THIS CIRCUS TO END


HHH
KSSHHH!

KRATS!

SSSHHHHKPPH

THUMP
KRASH
SKRITS
AH?
FSSHHHH!!!
WHAT IS THAT!?
A MONSTER!
RUN!


RASH

FISH STICKS!!
MIKO!

THOOMM

FISHSTICKS!!
GET THE HELL OUT OF MY WAY!
GH!
HERE BOY! FISHSTICKS!
COME ON!
SELA!
WHERE'S MIKO

AH!!
SHIT... I WONDER IF SHE'LL BE OKAY.
ARE! SELA WILL ALWAYS BE FINE!
SHE'S STRONG!
OH, YEAH!? HOW ABOUT THAT TIME FISHSTICKS BIT HER HEAD OFF?
FORGOT THA HAPPENED!!! AAAH! DON'T SCARE ME!!
JRG
I'D BETTER GO AFTER HER JUST IN CASE
YOU SHOULD PROBABLY KEEP SOME DISTANCE TO HER FOR A WHILE
BUT..! WILL YOU BE OKAY?
SURE! YOU JUST TAKE CARE OF YOUR NEW FRIENDS
PAT PAT
TRY NOT TO EAT THEM, LITTLE BROTHER
OKAY!! GOOD LUCK!
THAT'S ENOUGH OF TOUCHING
I'LL SEND YOU A DOOROW WHEN I'M BACK TO THE BIRDHOUSE!
YEAH! AAH!

SHIT
SHIT
SHIT
WHY DIDN'T I DO ANYTHING!?
HEART IS STILL BEATING
I THINK HE'S JUST KNOCKED OUT!
HE COULD BE BLEEDING SLOWLY TO DEATH ON THE INSIDE THOUGH!
WHAT
IT'S TRUE
KEOH
YSK
AM I SUCH A SHITTY PERSON I CAN ONLY SAVE MYSELF WITH THESE LAME SUPERPOWERS?
HEY IT'S OKAY! LOOK!!
WEREWOLVES!
LET'S TURN HIM INTO A WEREWOLF!

THEY HAVE AMAZING HEALING ABILITIES! IT COULD SAVE HIS LIFE!
BITE HIM THEN!!
WHIMPER
STOP IT!!
THERE ARE SOME SERIOUS CONSEQUENCES WHEN TURNING SOMEONE INTO A WEREWOLF OFF THE RECORD!
I CANT LET YOU RISK MY PACK
THAT'S WHY I'M GONNA DO IT
... BUT BC,
BESIDES! BITING DOESN'T WORK YOU'LL NEED SOMETHING OF A WOLF'S OWN

SO- YOU SURE BEING A WEREWOLF WOULD SUIT HIM?

YEAH! MEAN-
HE LIKES ANIMALS, I BET HE DOESN'T MIND BEING ONE!

WELL, I HOPE YOU'RE SURE ABOUT THAT!

UM

WHY DIDN'T WE JUST TAKE HIM TO AN INFIRMARY?

HERE IS YOUR CONTRACT
SO I'LL NEED TO WORK FOR YOU FOR SO LONG I'VE COVERED WHAT YOU PAID OF ME?
THAT IS CORRECT

AND DEPENDING ON YOUR EFFORT
THE QUICKER YOU CAN PAY YOURSELF OUT
YOU WILL ALSO GET YOUR OWN ROOM, FOOD AND PROTECTION, OF COURSE
AM I GOING TO BE CLEANING AT YOUR HOME, OR ?
UH NO, NO NO HONEY
DONT HIRE PEOPLE FROM BARS TO BE MY PERSONAL SERVANTS

YOU'LL BE
THE DISHE
N MY
ASINO
CASINO ?
IT'S NOT JUST
CASINO THOUGH
NEVER
E A MORE
MARVELLOUS
PLACE
WERE
HERE
ONE MOR
ABOUT YOUR
BO

HE IS THE MOST ECCENTRIC MAN I'VE EVER MET
AND HE CAN BE... VERY OVER WHELMING
OH! WE'RE REALLY HIGH UP!
THE CITY ACTUALLY LOOKS NICE FROM A SAFE DISTANCE
AAAHH. VALENCIA MY LOVE !!!
...GOOD TO SEE YOU TOO, PIKOKA!

WHAT WONDROUS CURIOSITIES HAVE YOU BROUGHT TO ME THIS TIME?

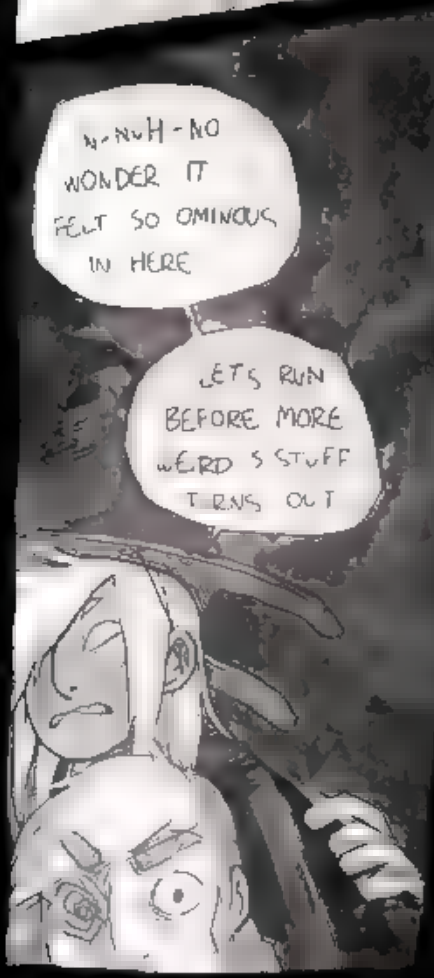
Ka
HHHHH

IF YOU WON'T START FEELING ANY BETTER WE'RE GOING TO THE HOS-
G-HUH! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE B-BAR!?
L-LET'S DITCH THIS PLACE BEFORE THE B-BRI BRIGADE SHOWS UP.
WAIT
YOU SENSE THAT?

END OF
CHAPTER 6

URGH!!!

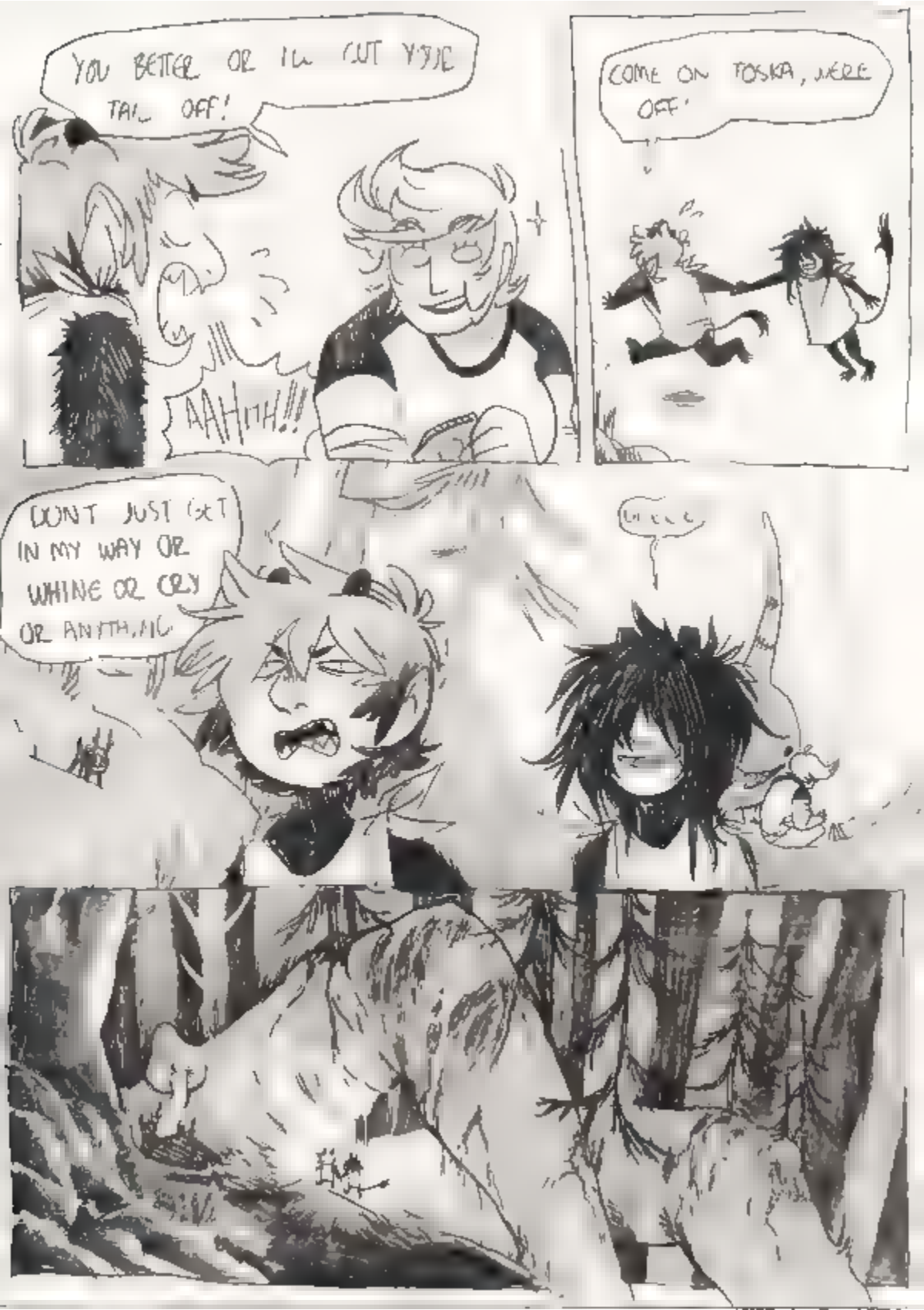
PAN!
A DAMN CAT!!


N-NUH-NO WONDER IT FELT SO OMINOUS IN HERE
LET'S RUN BEFORE MORE WEIRD STUFF TURNS OUT

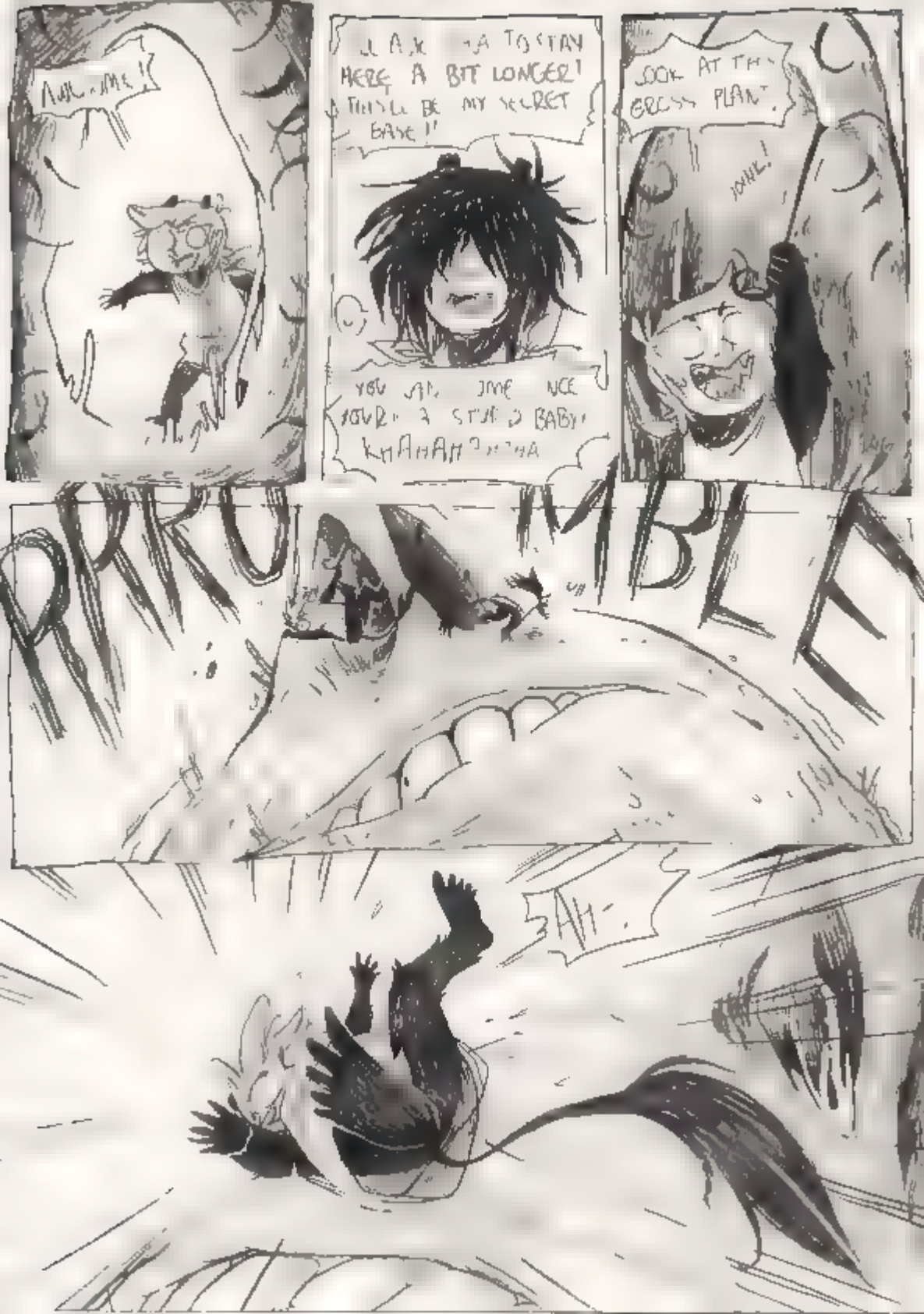
END
OF
PART
TWO

INTERMISSION

ALRIGHT TONIGHT
WE'RE STAYING HERE TONIGHT
A CAMP.
I'LL GO LOOK AROUND!
TAKE YOUR LITTLE BROTHER WITH YOU, THEN.
BLAAAAERGHH DON'T WANNA!


YOU BETTER OR I'LL CUT YOUR TAIL OFF!
AAHMH!!!
COME ON TOSKA, HERE OFF!
DON'T JUST GET IN MY WAY OR WHINE OR CRY OR ANYTHING
MEEE

CHECK OUT THAT CAVE!!


AWW-AME!
I MAY HAVE TO STAY HERE A BIT LONGER! THIS'LL BE MY SECRET BASE!!
YOU SAY JIME NCE YOU'RE A STUPID BABY! KHAHAHAHAHA
LOOK AT THIS GROSS PLANT.
WHL!
RRRUMBLE
SAH!

WWAAAHRGH!!
MY TAIL! IT HURTSSS!
DONT TUG IT YOU STUPID POOPHEAD!!!
HURRY UP!!
I'M GOING TO DIE!!
AND IT'S YOUR FAULT!

WHAPP

HMM HMM
BACK TO DINNER I SEE
WHAT'S UP
YOU LOOK AWFUL
SNIF SNIF
TOS- HIKK- TOSKA BIT MY -HIKK- TAIL O-OFF! HIKK
LOOK!!

DID YOU REALLY DO IT?
HE DID!
AND IT HURT!!!
HE'S MEAN AND AWFUL AND STUPID POOPYPANTS!
..TOSKA
GH
YOU'VE GOT AN AMAZING BITE.
BUT SERIOUSLY, DON'T EAT EACH OTHER OR ANYTHING
YOU'VE GOT PLENTY OF FOOD HERE.

TOO BAD I CAN'T TIE YOUR TAILS TOGETHER ANYMORE HAHA!
AW GOOD THINGS COME TO AN END, I SUPPOSE...
?
THUNK
WHAT IS IT WITH YOU TWO?
SKRATS
AAH
TOUT
DON'T GET CHILDREN.
OH NEW
STAY OUT OF MY FACE AT LEAST

CHAPTER 7

THREE DEEDS

WE MUST MAKE MANY FOODS! WERE WOLVES EAT! A LOT!
CAN I HELP?
YES!
TAKE THESE TO OUR GUESTS!
TAKE THESE
TAKE

SO HOW CAN YOU TELL HUMANS AND MAGICAL FOLK APART?
AURA
EVERY PERSON TOUCHED BY MAGIC HAS ONE –
BUT YOU USUALLY NOTICE THE DIFFERENCE ONLY IF THERE ARE HUMANS AROUND
SO I HAVE AN AURA NOW?
I GUESS? CAN'T SEE THEM MYSELF
WOLFIE
SOME CLAIM TO SMELL THE DIFFERENCE.
LIKE TROLLS.
OH HEY! CAN I LEARN TO CAST SPELLS NOW?
BLOW STUFF UP WITH MY MINDS EYE?
THINK YOU NEED TO HAVE A WITCH ANCESTOR
SOMETIMES A DISTANT GENE POPS UP SOMEWHERE ON OUR SIDE
AND THOSE PEOPLE CAN HAVE WEAK ABILITIES, PREMONITIONS
MAYBE SENSING GHOSTS?

HEY! MY MOM ALWAYS CLAIMED SHE COULD SEE GHOSTS! MAYBE I DO HAVE WITCHBLOOD!
STILL, TAKES YEARS OF DEDICATION AND TRAINING TO BE ABLE TO CAST MAGIC THO
..WELL, SHIT
GOT NO PATIENCE TO SPEND THAT MUCH TIME SITTING BEHIND THE SCHOOL BENCH?
..SOMETHING LIKE THAT
MORNING EVERYONE!
GREETINGS FROM THE KITCHEN!
WOO!
WHERE'S THAT FRESHLY BAKED WEREWOLF?
..HE LOCKED HIMSELF IN THE TOILET

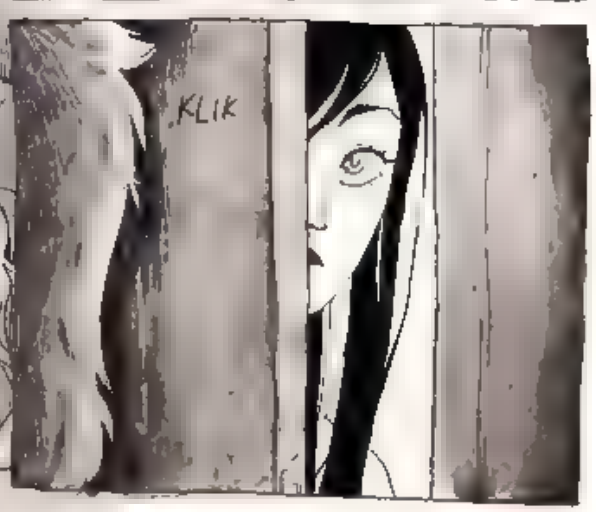
I SHOULD GO TALK TO HIM

WEREWOLVES CAN BE A BIT HOTHEADED!
IF ANYTHING WERE TO HAPPEN, JUST SHOUT FOR ME AND I'LL BARGE IN!

AH, I'M NOT WORRIED ABOUT THAT, I JUST ...
... HATE THE SERIOUS TALK.
OR YOU CAN SNOUT FOR ME HEH
HEH

BETTER IF I JUST GET OVER WITH IT!
I'LL TAKE SOME FOOD FOR HIM TOO
WC
GOOD LUCK!

KNOK


KLIK

KLAK
I... STILL HAVEN'T LOOKED IN THE MIRROR
YOU LOOK GOOD! AS ALWAYS!
AH
HM! I BROUGHT SOME FOOD -
LEONA
NEED TO ASK YOU SOMETHING

WHY DID YOU LET THIS HAPPEN TO ME?
YOU... WERE INJURED AND WE DIDN'T KNOW HOW BAD!
THIS SEEMED LIKE THE BEST OPTION
HOW ABOUT THOSE HEALING STICKERS WE SAW THAT BIG DOOF USE EARLIER?
OR A DOCTOR?
OR ANYTHING ELSE THAN BEING TURNED INTO A WEREWOLF?
I THOUGHT YOU LIKED ANIMALS
I DONT LIKE BEING ONE!
JUST DONT PLAY STUPID WITH ME!!!
I KNOW YOU TOO WELL!
YOU DID IT
ON PURPOSE!
FOR YOUR OWN ENTERTAINMENT!!

WHIMPER
KLANK
I'm SHIT.
YOU MUST BE GLAD
YOU ONLY HAVE TO PUT UP WITH YOUR SHITTY FRIEND FOR A YEAR
LEONA

I WAS WORRIED SICK WHEN I SAW YOU ON THE GROUND!
BUT
I ALSO WANTED TO SEE YOU AS A WEREWOLF.

WHAT KIND OF FRIEND DOES THAT!?

DONT DESERVE FRIENDS LIKE YOU

MAYBE YOU SHOULD START WORKING ON THAT, THEN

WHO CARES
IF I'M GOING TO BE DEAD SOON ANYWAY.
DO YOU REALLY WANT TO SPEND THE REST OF YOUR LIFE..
.. FIGHTING WITH EVERYONE?
NO...
NOW LISTEN CAREFULLY!
I CAN NOT FORGIVE YOU OF WHAT YOU'VE DONE TO ME.
BUT I HAVE TO ACCEPT THAT I MIGHT SPEND THE REST OF MY LIFE AS A WOLF.
WE'RE GOING TO MAKE THIS WORK

SO
WHAT NOW?
SHOULD PROBABLY FIND OUT WHAT I LOOK LIKE
HERE LET ME GET THE MIRROR FOR YOU!
AN AWFUL QUICK CHANGE OF MOOD, LEONA
WHAT! I'M DONE DWELLING IN THE PAST.
ARE YOU SERI-
SNATCH
THIS IS
ME?
KINDA CUTE, RIGHT?

THIS IS UNREAL.
LOOK AT THIS PINK ROUND SNOUT!
I'M SO SQUISHY AND ROUND!
BLEAAARHH
YOU DONE MARVELLING AT YOURSELF?
SHOULDN'T WE GO...
...AND SAVE OUR FRECKLED FRIEND?
YOU'RE RIGHT
I CAN'T DEAL WITH THIS RIGHT NOW ANYWAY
OH - YOU DO KNOW THAT YOU CAN TURN BACK TO HUMAN, RIGHT?
WELL ABOUT THAT...

BACK THEN WHEN I TURNED WEREWOLF
EVERY SINGLE PIECE OF MY CLOTHING GOT TORN APART.
OH SHIT, RIGHT!
LIKE, EVERY PIECE.
OH
OH-
OH!
SHIT!
SHIT - I'M SORRY..!
AH
UM
I CUT YOUR BINDER.. I THOUGHT IT WAS GONNA CRUSH YOU!
WE NEED TO FIND YOU A NEW ONE
THIS IS LITERALLY THE LEAST OF OUR WORRIES AT THE MOMENT
AND BINDING WITHOUT A BINDER IS TERRIBLE
I'D RATHER JUST BE A WOLF
AH-

AH - SHOOT!
SORRY -
WE HEARD SHOUTING AND GOT WORRIED!
UH HULLO! I'M MIKO
HI I'M RO!
ALEK
AND I'M PAM! THE ONE WHO TURNED YOU
I CAN TUTOR YOU ON HOW TO SURVIVE FROM NOW ON!
I ALSO TOLD PAM ABOUT WHAT WE LEARNED IN FATA MORGANA.
THAT VALENCIA BONNY PROBABLY TOOK COLIN TO HER CASINO
IT'S REALLY DIFFICULT TO GET THERE, BUT THANKFULLY I KNOW A GREAT DEAL OF PEOPLE -
- AND MANAGED TO GET YOU A RIDE THERE!
HOPE YOU'RE NOT AFRAID OF HEIGHTS
Z

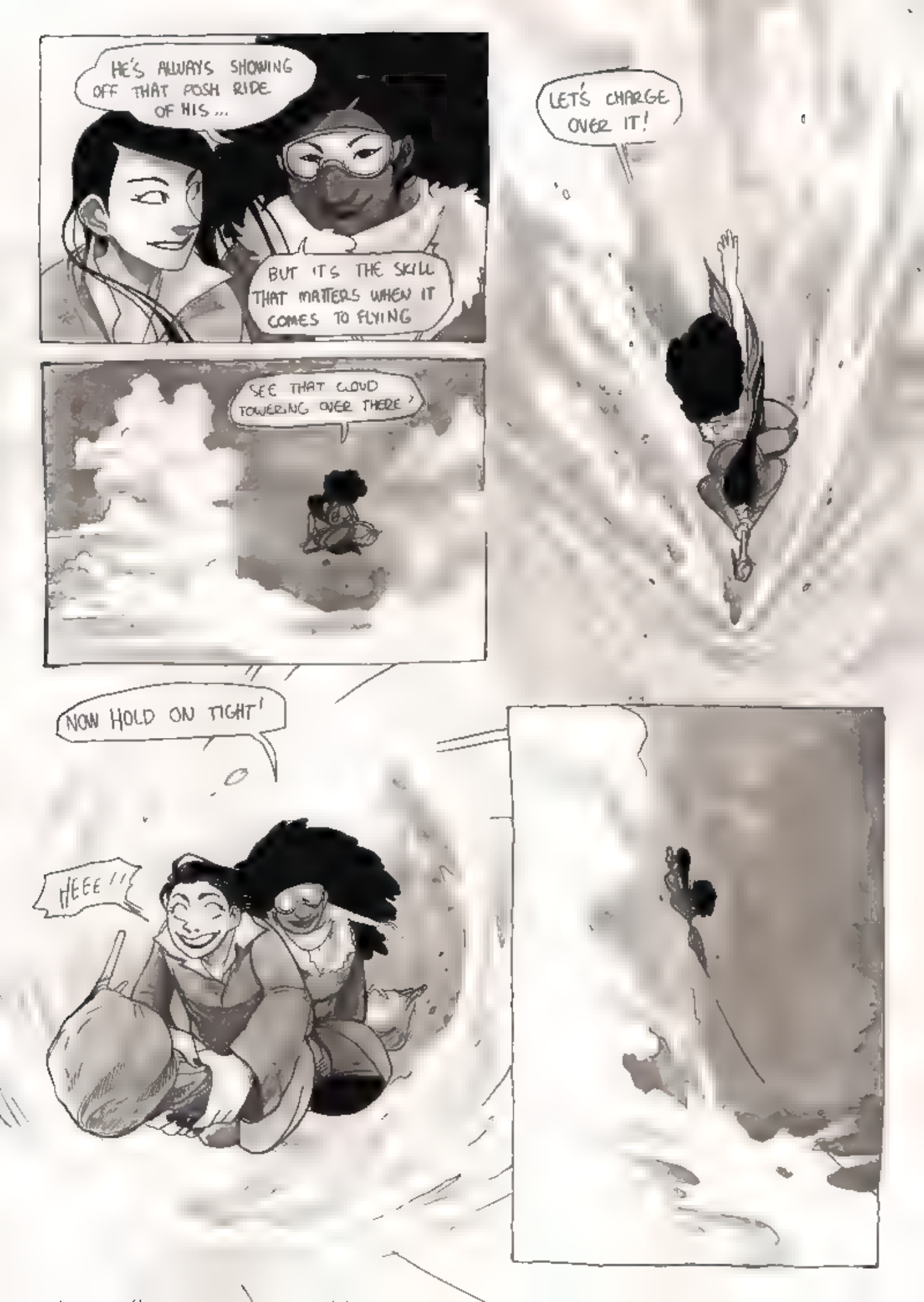
GREETINGS EVERYONE! I'M CHICHI, AND I'M HAPPY TO TELL YOU THAT YOU-
ARE GONNA GET A RIDE FROM THE BEST AVIATOR IN ALL OF VINETIA!
SHE MAY BE HAPPY ABOUT IT... I JUST OWE SO MUCH MONEY FOR PAM THAT I CAN'T DENY ANY OF HER REQUESTS
HEH
SO GOOD TO SEE YOU GUYS!

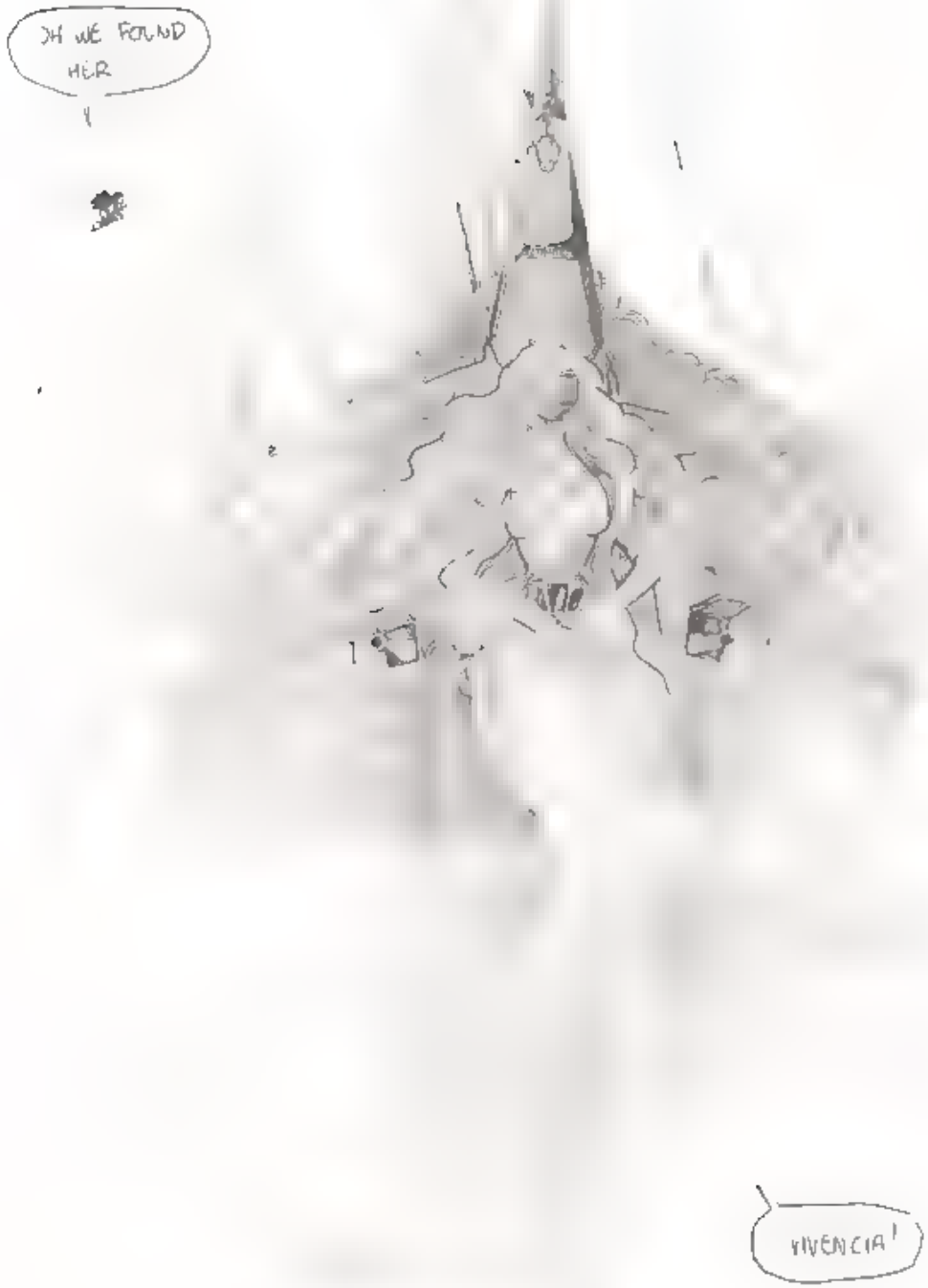
IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO GET INTO THE CASINO IF IT HASN'T LANDED
AND SOMETIMES IT FLIES SO HIGH UP IN THE CLOUDS, EVEN BROOMS CAN'T FLY THAT HIGH
AH NO OFFENCE BUT HOW CAN YOU BALANCE ON A BROOMSTICK?
I HAPPEN TO HAVE A CARPET FOR WIDER NEEDS
CAN I RIDE WITH YOU THEN?!!
HOP ON!
WAIT! FRIENDS!
AREN'T AFRAID OF A LITTLE RISK!

PLEASE DON'T LEAVE ME!
I WANNA COME WITH YOU, TO SAVE THE REDHEAD!
I THINK YOU'VE DONE QUITE ENOU
YOU'LL FIT NICELY ON THE CARPET WITH MIKO!!
...
ALRIGHT!
LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE ALL SET AND READY TO GO!
MIKO I'LL BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU LATER TODAY.
THANKS FOR LENDING ME YOUR CLOTHES, PAM!
NO PROBLEM!
OKAY! I WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK!
WAIT - ISN'T THERE ANYTHING TO HOLD ON TO?
OF COURSE NOT! IT'S PART OF THE FUN!
GO GET YOUR FRIEND BACK!
AAH! AAARH! I'M SO READY!
WOOF

SWOOSH
FLY!!
HUM
SHIT, THEY ALREADY LEFT!?
AND I BROUGHT NEW CLOTHES FOR MIKO...

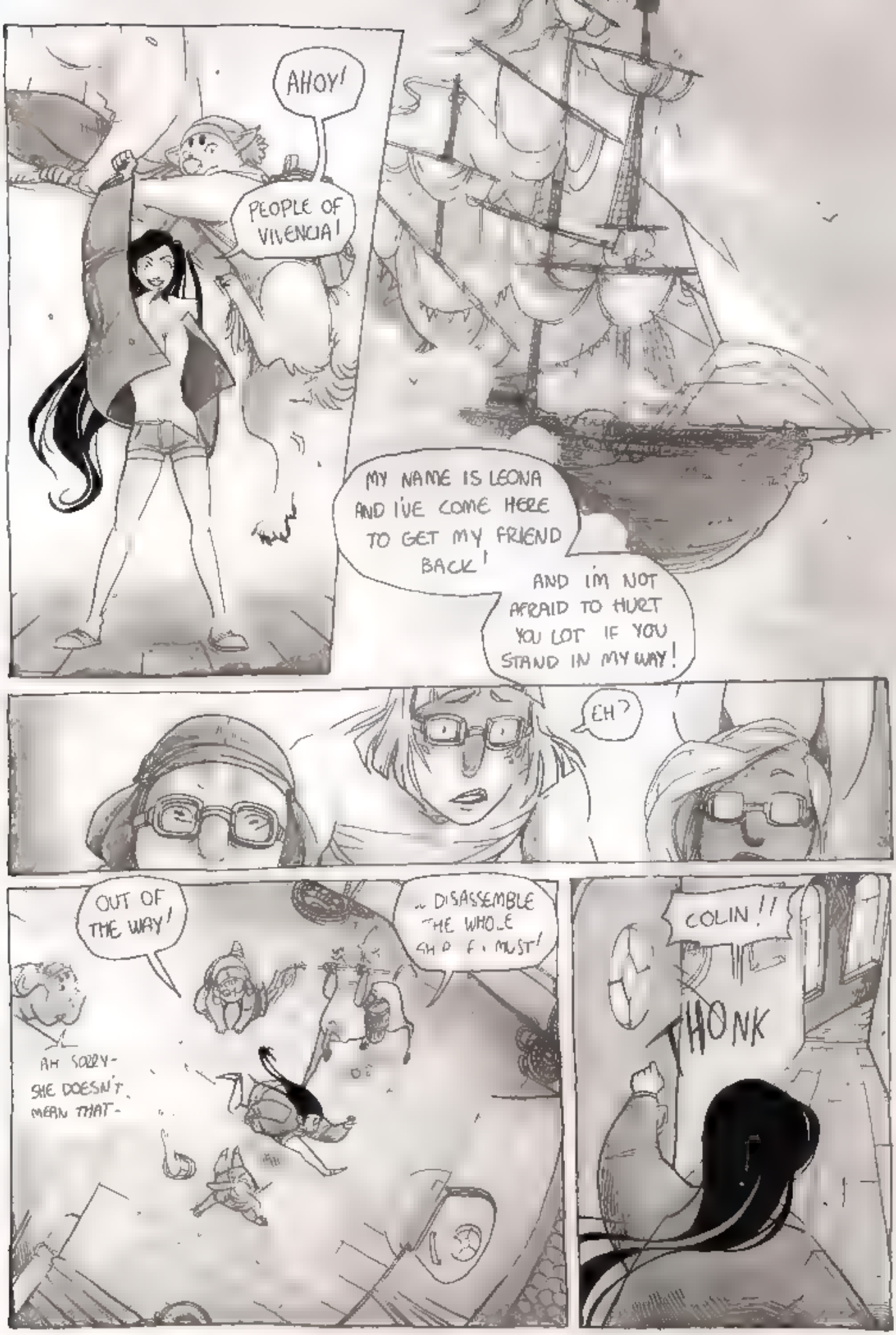
AH! I NEVER REALIZED HOW HUGE THIS CITY IS
YOU'RE NOT AFRAID OF HEIGHTS?
NO I LOVE THIS!
CAN'T SAY THE SAME ABOUT YOUR FRIEND
SCREAMING
I TUNED THIS CARPET MYSELF
CHECK OUT THESE WILD FEATURES I ADDED!
CUPHOLDERS!
SPROING!
OOH!
THAT CAN SPAWN PEANUTS!
SPROUT
CROWS ARE A MINUS
HOW ABOUT ADDING SEATBELTS!?
KRAA
KRAAA


HE'S ALWAYS SHOWING OFF THAT POSH RIDE OF HIS...
BUT IT'S THE SKILL THAT MATTERS WHEN IT COMES TO FLYING
LET'S CHARGE OVER IT!
SEE THAT CLOUD TOWERING OVER THERE?
NOW HOLD ON TIGHT!
HEEE!!

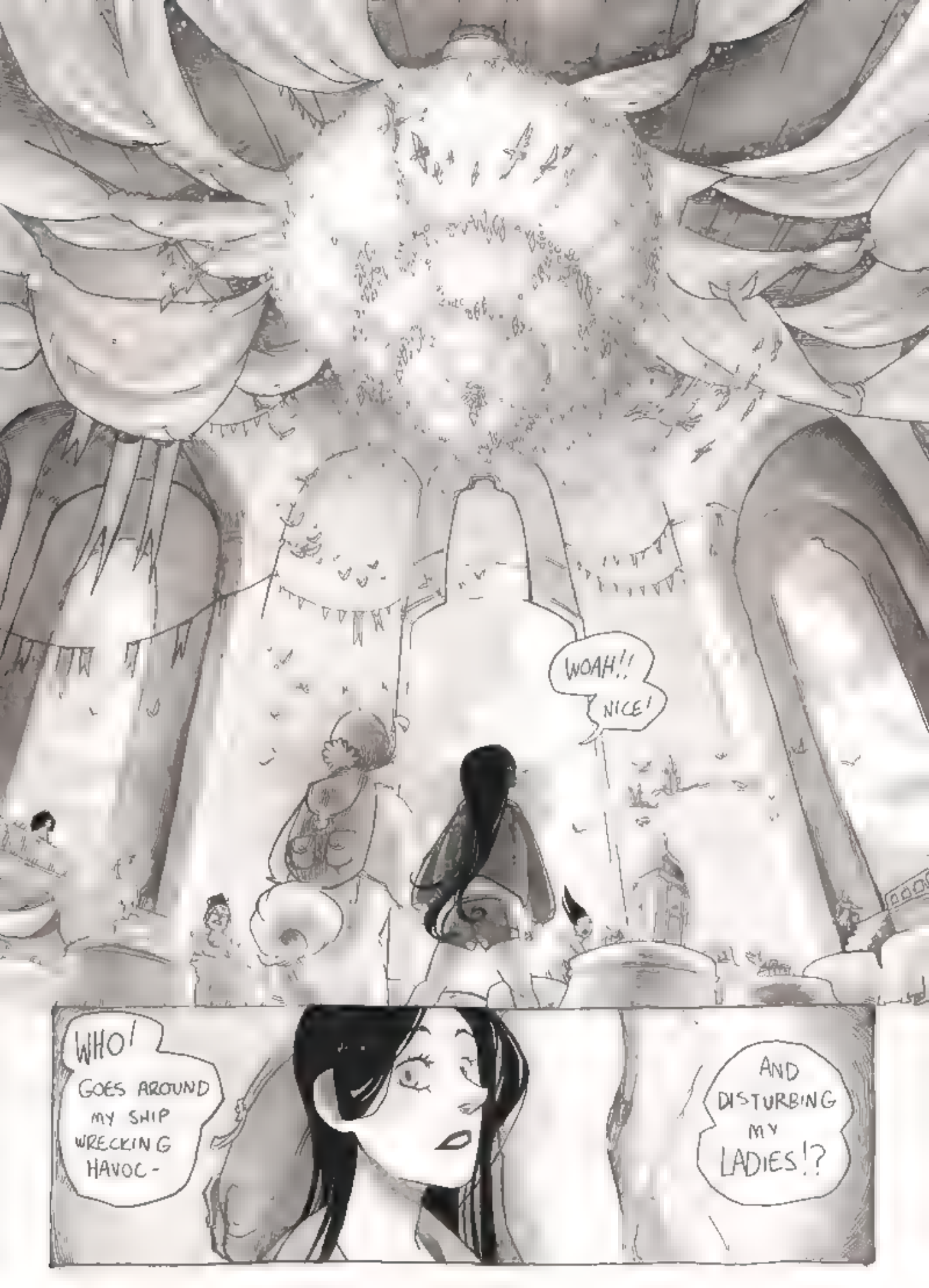

OH WE FOUND HER
VIVENCIA!

SHE'S HUGE!
YEAH HUNDREDS OF PEOPLE LIVE ON BOARD HER.
SHE'S ALWAYS ON THE MOVE, CIRCLING BETWEEN THE THREE CITIES
AND WHEN SHE LANDS, THE SHIPS PEOPLE HOIST THE MOST LEGENDARY PARTIES
FOR THOSE WHO HAVE ENOUGH COIN TO ENJOY THE EXPERIENCE

FRWHAMP
WOW-HEY LADY!
WHAT THE HECK!


AHOY!
PEOPLE OF VIVENCIA!
MY NAME IS LEONA AND I'VE COME HERE TO GET MY FRIEND BACK!
AND I'M NOT AFRAID TO HURT YOU LOT IF YOU STAND IN MY WAY!
EH?
OUT OF THE WAY!
AH SORRY- SHE DOESN'T MEAN THAT-
.. DISASSEMBLE THE WHOLE SHIP, I MUST!
COLIN!!
THONK

COOOL!!! N WE'VE COME FOR YOU!!
LEONA PLEASE WAIT- WE NEED A PLAN
WHERE ARE YOU BUDDY!?!
HEY! SEEN ANY ZEDHEADS HERE?
UR MAYBE IT'S TOO LATE FOR A PLAN ANYWAY...
DAMN RIGHT!
WOW WHAT THE HECK!
KREEKK!


WOAH!! NICE!
WHO! GOES AROUND MY SHIP WRECKING HAVOC-
AND DISTURBING MY LADIES!?

WHO! DARES TO BE SO ASOLENT
SO PAINFULLY RUDE!
WHO... DARES TO COME HERE, UNINVITED... KNOWING THEY WILL HAVE TO ANSWER TO ME!
PIKOKAI!
YEAH HAHA GUESS THAT'S ME

WHAT A GORGEOUS BEING! I COULD NOT DENY A THING FROM YOU!

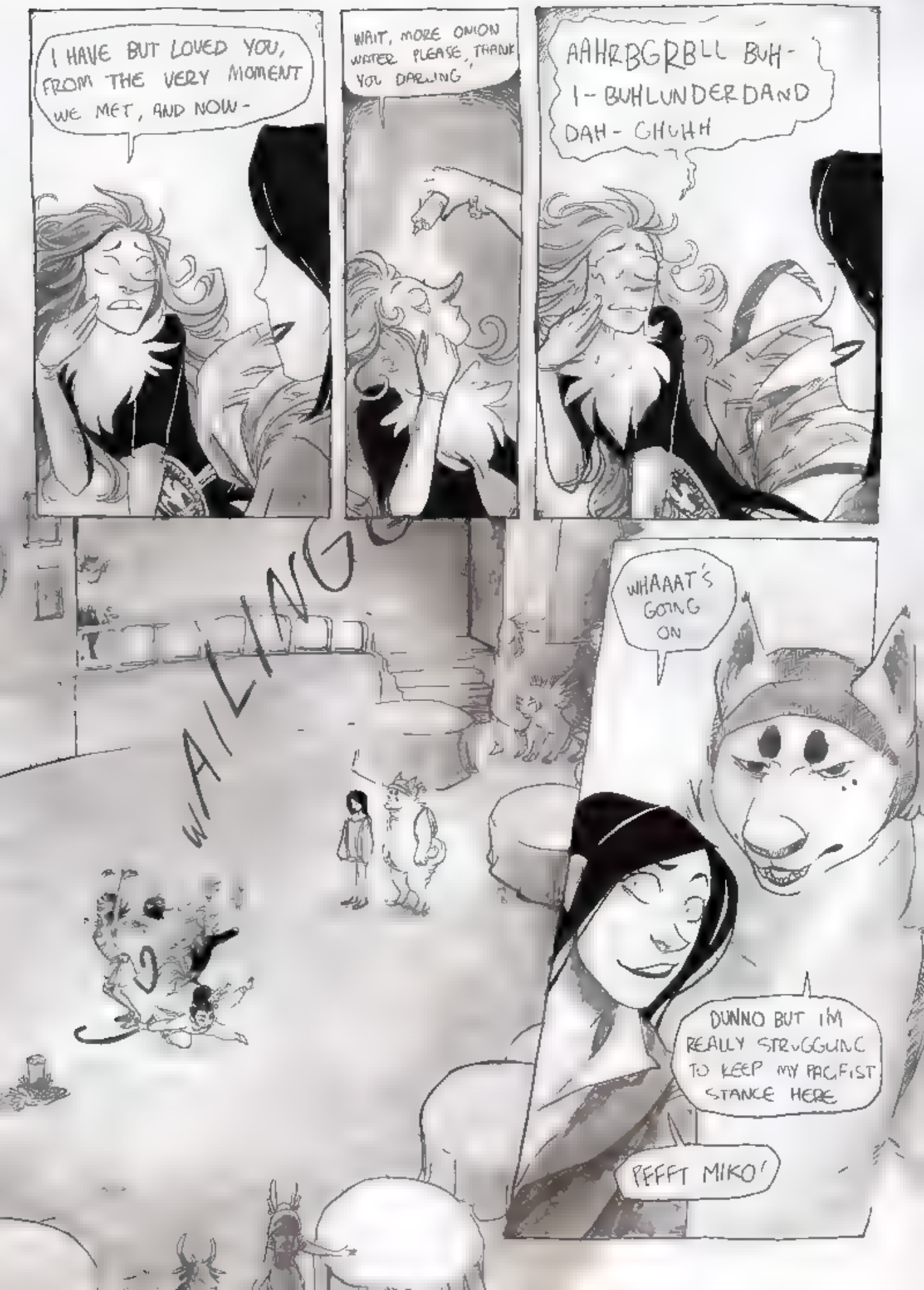
OOOHH!
OH COULD IT BE?
COULD IT BE love?

OH IT'S TRUE,
IT'S TRUE!

IF YOU'VE COME HERE TO STEAL MY HEART-

-YOU HAVE SUCCEEDINGLY DONE SO!
YEAH UM I'M JUST LOOKING FOR MY FRIEND.

OHH MY HEART! THE PAIN AND THE AGONY!
HAHA HAHA OH MY GOD!
MIKO ARE YOU SEEING THIS?


I HAVE BUT LOVED YOU, FROM THE VERY MOMENT WE MET, AND NOW-
WAIT, MORE ONION WATER PLEASE, THANK YOU DARLING
AAHRBGRBLL BUH-I-BUHLUNDERDAND DAH-GHUHH
WAILING
WHAAAT'S GOING ON
DUNNO BUT I'M REALLY STRUGGLING TO KEEP MY PACIFIST STANCE HERE
PFFFT MIKO!

NOT ENJOYING THE SHOW?
!!!
HOW DID YOU GET ON VIVENCIA?
BONNY!
OH, UM- BROOMS?
HEAR THAT, DARLING?
I THINK WE SHOULD PUT THOSE CANNONS BACK
WHATEVER YOU SAY HONEY MY SUN IN THE SKY AND STARS IN THE NIGHT
HEY IF YOU OWN THE PLACE DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT OUR FRIEND COLIN?
OH THAT PESKY LITTLE BRAT THAT WHINY INFANT
I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE A LITTLE TALK
MMPHF FFFFFFF FMIIHP!!!

IN FACT LET US PREPARE A DINNER TONIGHT
HELLO!!
WELCOME TO VIVENCIA!
COME WITH US!
YOU'RE A WEREWOLF?
DINNER PARTY!?
OUR 'GUESTS' CAN WAIT IN THE SERVANTS' QUARTERS
SEE TO THEIR NEEDS, AND BRING ALL THREE TO ME AT NIGHTFALL
YOU'RE GONNA LOVE IT HERE!
IS THE REDHEAD YOUR FRIEND??

HE ARRIVED YESTERDAY AND CAUSED QUITE A STIR!
PIKOKAI WOULDN'T HAVE HIM ON THE SHIP.
BUT HE HAD ALREADY SIGNED THE CONTRACT— AND NO ONE CAN TRULY OPPOSE BONNY'S DECISIONS
A CONTRACT!?
OH HE'S GOING TO WORK ON VIVENCIA!
WAIT- WHAT!
YOU CAN ASK MORE FROM HIM!
COME!
NO NO NO- YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND!
THIS SHADE OF GREEN DOESN'T GO WELL WITH MY HAIR!
I'M GOING TO LOOK LIKE AN ELF!

AND THE FABRIC IS AWFULLY COARSE –
MY SKIN IS GOING TO GET SORE FROM WEARING THIS!
NOT TO MENTION THE RIDICULOUS LENGTH OF –
AAAAAAAAAA

WHUMP!
LEONA!?
WHAT'S UP YOU BIG NERD?
WE'VE COME TO SAVE YOUR ASS!
AH-
UF!
-HIC-
-HIC
I'M SO GLAD YOU'RE ALIVE!!! I WAS SO WOH-H HHUUUHUU -SOB-
C CAN'T BE- MIKO!?

ARE YOU OKAY? WHAT HAPPENED!?
HEY!! YOU PEOPLE ARE RUINING MY WORK!
THE STITCHES ARE ALREADY FALLING APART! GIVE IT BACK SO CAN
UH -
OH YES! YES!
VGH LET'S GO TO MY CABIN!
AT LEAST WE CAN BE THERE IN PRIVATE
KRIIIKK

WHAT A COSY ROOM!

IS THIS ALL YOURS?

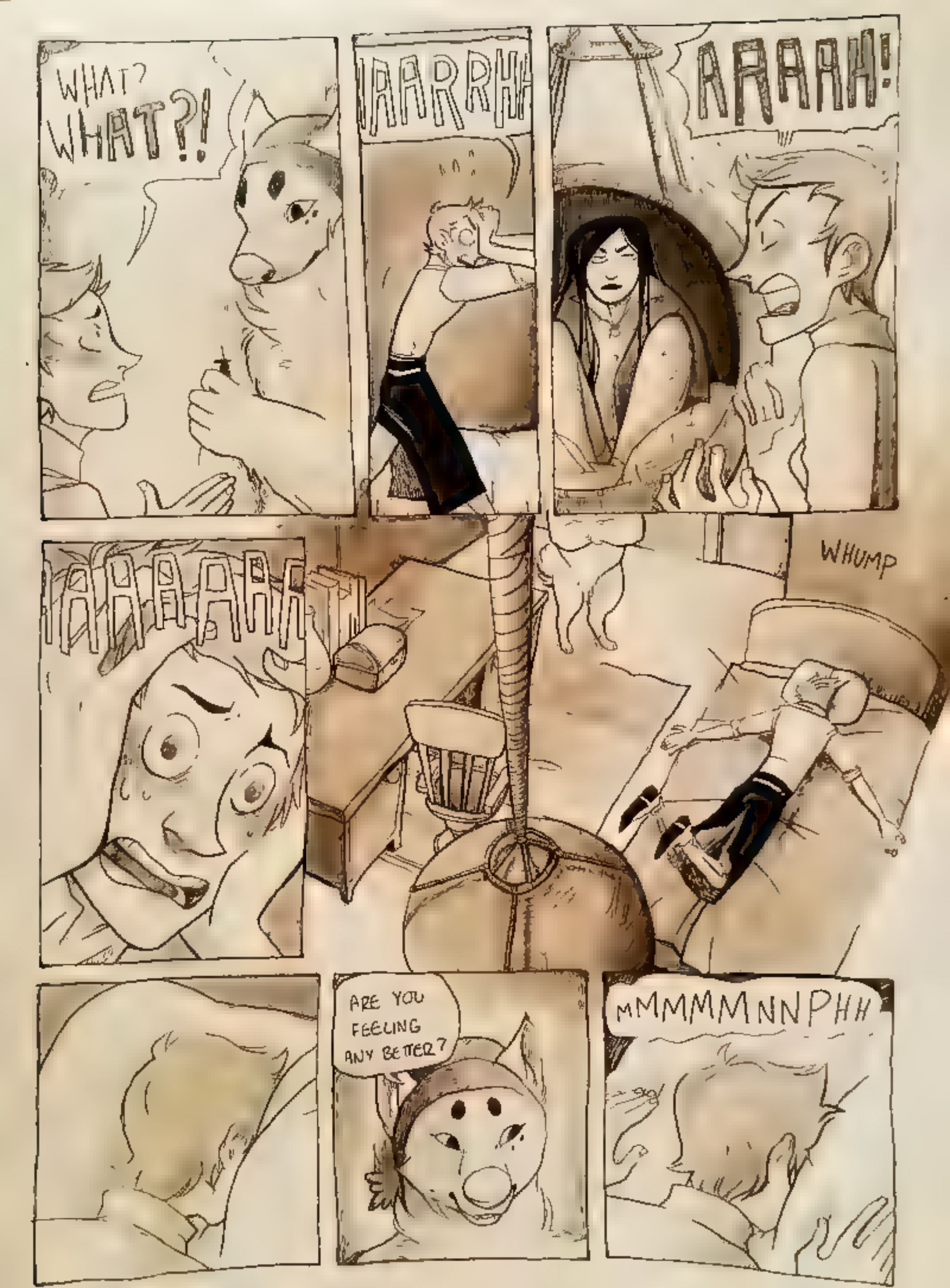
OH MY GOD LOOK AT THIS BIRD NEST THINGIE! I WANNA SLEEP THERE!

CLAK

OKAY! AND NOW THAT WE'RE FINALLY ALONE

INHALE

AAAAAAA


WHAT? WHAT?!
IARRH
RRRRH!
WHUMP
AAAAAA
ARE YOU FEELING ANY BETTER?
MMMMMNNPHH

ROLL
KREAAAK
SO
I GOT KIDNAPPED!
NOT ONCE, BUT TWICE
ALL KINDS OF... THE MOST BIZARRE THINGS HAVE HAPPENED.
I'VE BEEN SURVIVING, SINCE THIS WHOLE SITUATION IS SO, SO ODD, I DON'T THINK I FULLY REALIZE IT YET.
AND THEN, OUT OF THE BLUE, YOU ARE HERE.

AND SOMEHOW IT MAKES ALL OF THIS MORE REAL!
THAT YOU'RE HERE TOO, THAT THIS IS REALLY HAPPENING!
AND THAT IT'S NOT JUST A FEVERISH DREAM OF MINE

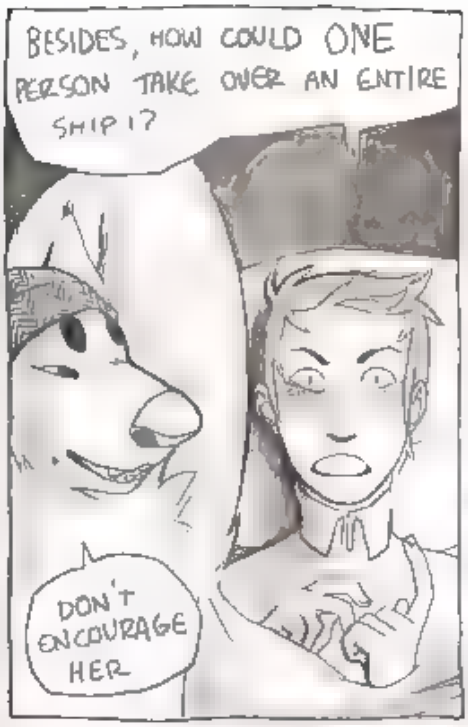
HUH, YOU DON'T SOUND TOO HAPPY ABOUT SEEING US AGAIN
OH IT'S NOT THAT, JUST

I CAN'T LEAVE!
YOU CAME FOR NOTHING!

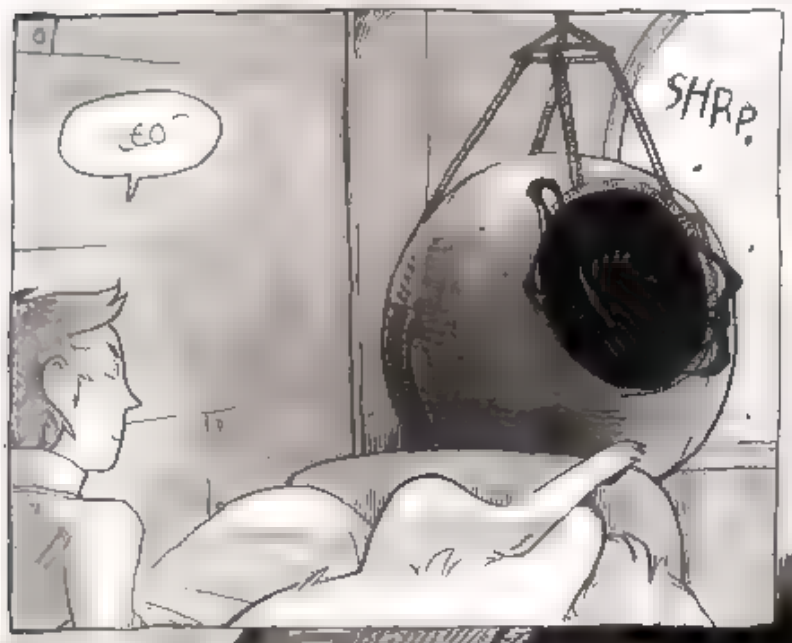
I'VE ENDED UP OWNING MONEY FOR VIVENCIA, AND I HAVE TO WORK TO
WHAT THE HECK
COUN, THAT'S JUST MONEY!

I COULD BURN THIS SHIP, CRASHLAND IT, KIDNAP YOU, OR WHATEVER!

BURN IT! SINCE WHEN YOU'VE WANTED TO MASS MURDER PEOPLE!!
RGHH WELL THEY COULD JUMP OFF


BESIDES, HOW COULD ONE PERSON TAKE OVER AN ENTIRE SHIP!?
DON'T ENCOURAGE HER

AND MIKO CAN NEVER GO BACK NOW THAT HE'S A WEREWO-
-LEONA? ARE YOU LISTENING TO ME?


LEO-
SHRP

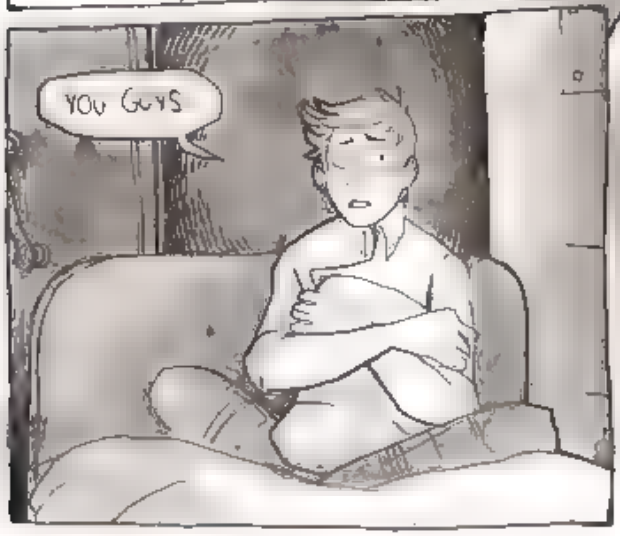
WHAT IS THAT

LEONA?!!
WE COULD DO IT
WE COULD TAKE YOU BACK HOME
THE ONLY THING STOPPING US IS YOU.
LEONA CALM DOWN WITH THE HANDS!
GROSS GROSS GROSS!!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING!
QUIT IT OUT-

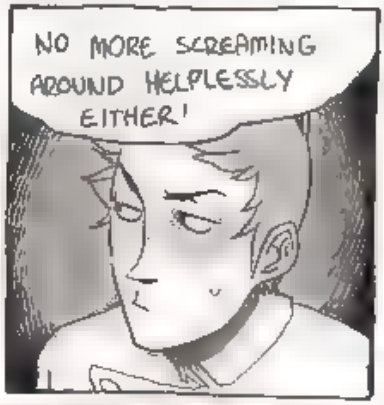
STOP IT!

OH I'M SORRY
I'M SO SORRY I SHOUTED AT YOU

I DON'T KNOW WHAT CAME OVER ME.


YOU GUYS

HAVE CHANGED MORE THAN I FIRST THOUGHT.



HOW MUCH IS ONE GOLD IN EUROS

GUESS ME AND MIKO COULD ASK FOR —
WORK
— FROM THAT PIKOKAI GUY AND TRY TO PAY THAT DEBT OF YOURS TOGETHER
WHAT? YOU'D... DO THAT FOR ME?
GOING TO WORK SOUNDS EASY COMPARED TO WHAT WE'VE BEEN THROUGH!
AND I COULD USE OUR FREETIME TRYING TO LEARN EVERYTHING I CAN ABOUT WEREWOLVES AND EONAS CONDITION
WHICH REMINDS ME... LEONA, WE SHOULD TELL COLIN ABOUT THE PARASITE.
EVERY TIME I SPROUT HANDS OUTTA MY BACK IT MAKES MY HAIR SUPER GREASY
THAT'S HORRIBLE!! AND I THOUGHT YOU HAD STRAIGHTENED YOUR HAIR!
I KNOW RIGHT
YOU KNOW THEY HAVE A SHAMPOO BRAND HERE CALLED CURLY CHARGE, IT COULD HELP!
UM
WHAAAT? NO KIDDING!
HEY

WORRY NO MORE! I'LL GO RIGHT AWAY AND ASK THEM TO ARRANGE YOU A HOT BATH!
OH YOU'RE SUCH A SWEETHEART COLIN!
LEONA.

ON TODAY'S MENU WE HAVE, SLOWLY COOKED PARLIFFE HEAD FILLED WITH STEAMED PAPRIKA
CRANBERRY NUT BREAD HOT FROM THE OVEN WITH HONEY

AND SOME GRILLED STURGEON ON A SALAD BED.
PLEASE ENJOY!
ALSO I'D LIKE TO GREET OUR GUESTS...

MIKO AND LEONA!
AND THIS GUY WHO'S WEARING THE SERVANTS ATTIRE WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE

I DIDN'T KNOW THIS WOULD BE SO FORMAL!
I'M NOT EVEN WEARING ANY CLOTHES.
I'M WEARING ENOUGH FOR THE BOTH OF US!!
I WONDER IF THEY HAVE ANY HEALTH REGULATIONS FOR FOOD HERE.

AAAAH WELCOME WELCOME!!
HERE LET ME!
WOW THANKS! HAHA
WHAT A BEAUTIFUL DRESS!
THANKS! YOUR PEOPLE GAVE IT TO ME
WELL NO WONDER THEN!
UNFORTUNATELY, BONNY HAD TO LEAVE, URGENTLY SO SHE WON'T BE JOINING US
I HOPE YOU'LL ENJOY THE MEAL!

SO, WHY DID BONNY HAVE TO LEAVE SO SUDDEN?

OH SHE HAD SOMETHING BETTER TO DO THAN TO LOOK AT YOUR FACE
HERE TASTE THIS!

I DIDN'T EVEN WASH MY HANDS...
BUT THEN AGAIN WOULD MY HANDS SMELL LIKE A WET DOG?

THE FISH IS SO GOOD!!

PITY, YOU SEE, WE WOULD WE HAD BUSINESS TO TALK ABOUT

DON'T WORRY SHE ONLY HANDLES THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS PERSONALLY

WAIT, DON'T HAVE CHEEKS!? HOW DO I EAT?
WHAT IF DROP FOOD FROM MY MOUTH

IS THERE ALCOHOL IN THIS WINE? IF SO, GIVE ME MORE!

I SURE HOPE THIS FISH AND MEAT WAS NOT COOKED IN THE SAME OVEN!!

WE ALSO HAVE STALE BISCUITS IF THIS ISN'T GOOD ENOUGH FOR YOU!

HEY? ME GOL

SO, PIKOKAI! DO YOU HAVE ANY OPEN JOB POSITIONS?

A JOB HMM? WELL WE'RE A BIT CRAMPED RIGHT NOW, BUT ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR SPECIAL TALENTS AND PERFORMERS!

I CAN STAND ON MY HANDS FOR 15 SECONDS

I'M A DECENT SINGER!

TOO NERVOUS TO PERFORM THOUGH

I KNOW A FEW MATH PARTY TRICKS

UM ON SECOND THOUGHT NO ONE GETS IN RIGHT NOW

SORRY

BUT! WE'RE REALLY WILLING TO DO ANY KIND OF WORK, BECAUSE IT WOULD BE FOR PAYING COLINS DEBT!

AND I BELIEVE THAT YOU REALLY, REALLY WANT TO GET RID OF HIM, RIGHT?

WELL NOW I'M INTRIGUED!

I CAN SENSE GAMBLE AND SACRIFICE HERE! A GRAND DESIGN IS FORMING IN MY INGENIOUS MIND!!

NOW TELL ME HOW FAR ARE YOU WILLING TO GO FOR HIM

HMM! GRAND DESIGN SOUNDS SWELL, AND CERTAINLY MORE INTRIGUING THAN A MEASLY JOB.
ETS SAY THAT
I'D PRETTY MUCH DIE FOR HIM!
OOOOHHH I LIKE THAT! I LIKE INDEED!
THEN I SHALL PROPOSE YOU A DEAL!
TO GAIN SOMETHING FROM ME, YOU MUST FIRST GAIN MY FAVOUR -
-BY DOING THREE DIFFERENT ACTS TO PROVE YOUR WORTH
IT IS AN ANCIENT TRADITION CALLED - THE THREE DEEDS!
UM, WHAT KIND OF DEEDS EXACTLY ?
KINDS!! MAYBE SOMETHING FOR ME ?
OR DESTROY ONE OF MY RIVALS

NOW HOLD ON A BIT, WE'RE GONNA HAVE A LITTLE NEGOTIATION!
DON'T TAKE LONG!
THOSE DEEDS COULD BE DANGEROUS..
BUT WORKING MIGHT TAKE LONGER THAN A YEAR
WELL IS IT A PROBLEM?
I THINK WE COULD TAKE ON A LITTLE RISK...
NOW THAT WE'RE NOT HUMANS ANYMORE
AND IF THE TASK SEEMS DIFFICULT, LET'S JUST GET SOME GUNS!
HOW ABOUT NO.
I SAY THAT WE GO WITH THE DEEDS, BUT WITH ONE CONDITION
IF TURNS OUT, THAT ANY OF THE DEEDS IS DANGEROUS..
...WE'RE CALLING IT OFF. AND GO BACK TO WHATEVER JOB WE CAN FIND, AS LONG AS IT'S SECURE
I CAN GET BEHIND THOSE TERMS!
ALRIGHT PIKOKA!! WE'VE MADE OUR DECISION!

LETS DO IT!
HEAR THAT EVERYONE!?
COME WITNESS THE START OF THREE DEEDS!

LET'S MAKE THEM REPAIR THE WHOLE SHIP!
NO LET THEM TRY TO CATCH A UNICORN!
HOW ABOUT GETTING AN AUTOGRAPH FROM THE FIRST VAMPIRE?
YEAH!
THE AUDIENCE SEEMS EAGER!
WE MUST GIVE THEM WHAT THEY WANT!
HMM..
AH!! I GOT JUST THE THING!
OH IT'S MARVELLOUS! BRILLIANT!!
...T DOWN
PLEASE EVERYONE, GATHER AROUND
AND I SHALL TELL YOU
...OF YOUR VERY FIRST DEED

I WANT YOU TO FIND SOMETHING
SOMETHING LOST THIS VERY MORNING..
I WOKE UP, FEELING RATHER RAGGED AFTER A WILD NIGHT
GUMH
I DID MY USUAL MORNING ROUTINES, HAIR AND MAKE-UP
AFTER WE FRESHENED UP A B T..
BOOM
..IT'S TIME TO PICK UP THE JEWELRY FOR THE DAY
AND I REALIZE ONE OF MY RINGS IS MISSING.
AND NOT JUST ANY ORDINARY RING
BUT A REAL, AUTHENTIC, DANGEROUS DESIGN..
FROM THE PRAGUE RACE COLLECTION

WHAT.
WHERE DID YOU GET IT?
SLEEPY
HUH
... PRAGUE RACE ..
DO YOU REMEMBER THE ROSTER WHERE THE HARVESTER CAME FROM?
YE.A...
THINK WE NEED TO TAKE A CLOSER LOOK OF IT
COULD YOU TELL US MORE ABOUT THE RING?
WHAT MAKES IT SO DANGEROUS?
EVERY PIECE IN THE COLLECTION IS MORE MACABRE THAN THE OTHER
TRULY A WORK OF A CRUEL MASTERMIND!
SOME EVEN CLAIM THEY WERE MADE BY THE DEATH ITSELF!
WHICH MAKES A RATHER THRILLING TALE BUT, REALLY I NEED IT BACK BEFORE ANYTHING BAD HAPPENS
BUT THE RING ITSELF, WHY IS IT DANGEROUS?
DON'T KNOW.
THE MAGIC ON IT HASN'T KINDLED AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT TRIGGERS IT.
AND DON'T WANT TO

WELL, WHAT DOES THIS RING LOOK LIKE?

IT'S A PECULIAR DESIGN! THERE'S TWO RINGS, JOINED BY –

–A FLAT, TINY WOODEN MASK. IT HAS A SIMPLE, ALMOST..

...A MOCKING SMILING EXPRESSION CARVED ON ITS FACE!

YOU MEAN LIKE THE ONE YOU'RE ACTUALLY WEARING?

EH?

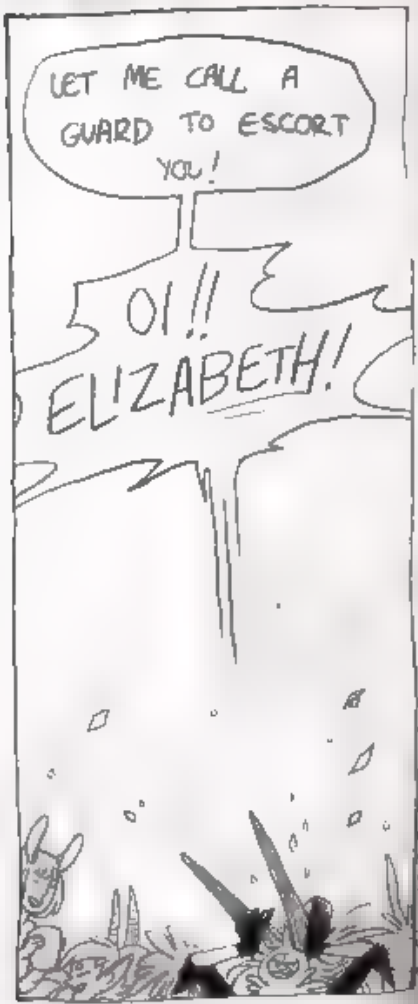
EH?

WELL I GUESS THIS MEANS THAT.
GOOD JOB ON CLEARING THE FIRST DEED!!
LET'S CELEBRATE THEM TONIGHT!!
AND FROM NOW ON, LET'S TREAT THEM AS ONE OF OUR OWN!
SORRY..
I PROMISE TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING MORE EXCITING NEXT TIME!
HA HA
OH IT WAS QUITE ENTERTAINING, DON'T YOU WORRY!

IF YOU THINK THAT'S ENTERTAINING, YOU CLEARLY HAVEN'T BEEN ON A PARTY ON THIS SHIP BEFORE!

AH
I'M SORRY TO INTERRUPT BUT I'D LIKE TO GO SOMEWHERE PRIVATE.
IT HAS BEEN AN EXHAUSTING DAY

OF COURSE! I'VE ARRANGED ALL OF YOU YOUR OWN QUARTERS
OUR OWN QUARTERS?


LET ME CALL A GUARD TO ESCORT YOU!
OI!! ELIZABETH!

UNH
SORRY

HERE I AM SIR
GREAT!
TAKE OUR NEW RESIDENTS TO THEIR ROOMS!

RIGHT AWAY, SIR
HERE'S LADY LEONA'S ROOM
OH LET ME
BIGGER THAN MY WHOLE APARTMENT!
GOOD NIGHT BOY!
SEE YOU TOMORROW!
NIGHT
NOW IF YOU'LL FOLLOW ME YOURS ARE FURTHER DOWN THE SHIP
HOPEFULLY I'LL GET A BIGGER ROOM, TOO!

HEY!
THIS IS THE SERVANTS QUARTERS!
WHY DO WE HAVE TO LIVE HERE WHILE LEONA GETS SPECIAL TREATMENT!
WELL
YOU MIGHT HAVE FIGURED IT OUT ALREADY, BUT PIKOKAI ISN'T VERY FOND OF OTHER MEN
THERE'S ONLY THREE OF YOU PLUS PIKOKAI ON VIVENCIA AT THE MOMENT
SO WHO'S THE THIRD POOR FELLOW?
SOMEONE HE CAN'T DRIVE AWAY, BECAUSE HE'S DEAD
HERE'S MISTER MIKO'S ROOM.
WHAT?
DEAD?
A GHOST
YOU'RE SHARING THIS HALLWAY WITH HIM.
PIKOKAI WANTS TO KEEP YOU IN THE SAME PLACE
GOOD NIGHT

WELL, THIS IS JUST AWFUL
HEY, OUR ROOMS ARE IDENTICAL
YES THEY'RE ALL EXACTLY THE SAME
CAN YOU LOCK THE DOOR?
THE KEYS ARE ON THE TABLE
I THINK THESE ARE PRETTY NICE! WELL KEPT, CLEAN AND WARM
NOW, I THINK I'LL ENJOY SOME LONG NEEDED SLEEP!
YOU DO THAT!
HOPE YOU SLEEP LONG AND WELL FOR THE BOTH OF US!
HAHA GOOD NIGHT
BECAUSE I HAVE TO BEGIN MY NEW JOB EARLY TOMORROW..!
WOW!
WHAT A DAY

. CANT BELIEVE I HAVE TO LIVE IN THIS DUMP!

AND NOW THAT DARNED GHOST, TOO..

WELL IF IT DIDNT BOTHER ME LAST NIGHT, I DOUBT IT'LL DO SO TONIGHT EITHER!

END OF
CHAPTER 7

CHAPTER 8

LIKE A FOX IN A HEN HOUSE

IS IT MORNING YET?
DID I SLEEP AT ALL??
HOW DO THESE PEOPLE SURVIVE WITHOUT ALARM CLOCKS!?
MAYBE I SHOULD JUST
WAKE UP

MAYBE IF I'LL JUST LIE HERE A BIT LONGER ...
IN THIS
.. AWFUL CATATONIC STATE...
RRRRRR
RRRRRR
PURRRPUR
WHAT'S THAT NOISE
WHUMP
PURRRR
IS IT THE GHOST?
IT'S COMING FROM THE CLOSET!
PURRRRPUR
PURRR
I WILL NOT TOLERATE SOME SPIRITWORLD BUM BOTHERING ME!
GET OUT OF HERE!!!
AAAHH

WHY DO YOU HAVE TO BE SO MEAN!

YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE!!

I'M ON A RESCUE MISSION! TO SAVE YOU!

WHAT?!

I CAME HERE WITH OUR FRIENDS LEONA AND MIKO, BUT THEY JUST RAN ALL OVER THE PLACE SO I DECIDED TO COME HERE TO WAIT.., BUT I FELL ASLEEP!

OF COURSE KNEW WHICH ONE'S YOUR ROOM, THANKS TO MY MARVELLOUS NOSE!

THERE'S BEEN A MAN-EATING MONSTER IN MY CLOSET THIS WHOLE TIME!?

OH YOU'RE STILL MAD ABOUT THE HOMELESS MAN? GIVE IT A REST!

I ONLY HUNT WHEN I'M HUNGRY! DEAD MEAT IS FINE, TOO... BRING ME BREAKFAST, I DON'T THINK THEY WANT TROLLS NEAR THE KITCHEN.

I WON'T BRING YOU ANYTHING! I WANT YOU OUT OF HERE!!

UNRAAAAAA
I DON'T WANT TO GO, HERE'S COMFORTABLE...

UGH!! I DON'T HAVE THE TIME OR THE ENERGY FOR THIS!

JUST MAKE SURE YOU'RE OUT OF MY ROOM WHEN I GET BACK!

EH? DIDN'T THEY TELL YOU?
YOU'RE ON THE CLEANING TEAM, NOT COOKING!

IT'LL BE SOME TIME AFTER BREAKFAST UNTIL YOU'RE NEEDED!

SO WHEN SHOULD I COME AROUND, ABOUT?
ACTUALLY, THERE'S ANOTHER NEW ONE STARTING TODAY, HOW ABOUT AFTER LUNCH I'LL GIVE YOU BOTH A SHORT BRIEF!

OK, SEE YOU THEN!
MIND IF I TAKE SOME?
GO AHEAD
THUNK
ARE THESE FOR ME? ALL OF THEM!?
DON'T CLIMB ON THE TABLE!
WOW! YOU'RE SO KIND!!
AND YOU'RE ODD.

LOOK AT THIS GOOEY STUFF INSIDE!
WHAT A TREAT!
WHAT HAVENT YOU SEEN CHEESE BEFORE?
MMF
THIS IS GOOD!
BETTER THAN DOGFOOD!
WHAT?
LISTEN I NEED TO ASK YOU SOMETHING
WHAT DO YOU WANT EXACTLY?
TAKE A NAP AFTER I DESTROY THESE!
NO! I MEAN WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE! WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM US - FROM ME!
WHY DID YOU COME HERE?
YOU'RE MY FRIEND!
I WANNA HANG OUT WITH MY FRIENDS
I DON'T EVEN KNOW YOU!

DO YOU..
WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ME THEN?

YEAH, SURE WHY NOT
OKAY!

THERE ARE THREE CITIES IN THIS PARTICULAR HAVEN, WE'RE FLOATING ABOVE VINETIA NOW!
NOT FAR FROM HERE IS AN INDUSTRIAL CITY NAMED RUNGHOLT.
RUNGHOLT IS BUILT ON THE WALLS OF A GIGANTIC SINKHOLE
AND ON THE VERY BOTTOM OF IT, THERE'S AN UNDERGROUND PERSON
AND THAT'S WHERE WAS BORN!

I DON'T THINK MOTHER EVER EVEN NOTICED I WAS BORN
MAYBE IT WAS FOR THE BEST

HE WAS THE E OF A HOLE
IF SHE HAD EVER SEEN ME SHE WOULD HAVE EATEN ME.

WHOLE WORLD, AND THE FOOD THAT WAS THROWN IN
WAIT WAIT

YOU WERE BORN IN PRISON?
I MEAN...

ARE YOU, UH ARE YOU OKAY?
NO

ANYWAY, THE TIME CAME WHEN I WAS BIG ENOUGH TO CLIMB OUT OF MY MOTHER'S CELL

I FOUGHT WITH RATS FOR FOOD
UNTIL I WAS BIG ENOUGH TO EAT THE RATS.

THAT WAS ALL THERE WAS TO MY LIFE. HUNTING AND EATING, HUNTING AND EATING...

THE PRISON WAS HUGE, BUILT ON THE REMNANTS OF A CITY THAT FELL INTO THE SINKHOLE LONG AGO. ONLY A SMALL PART OF IT WAS BEING USED

BUT ONE DAY I MET ANOTHER ONE LIKE ME, ONLY OLDER. I STARTED FOLLOWING HIM AROUND.

ONE DAY WE WERE WORKING AT A NEARBY GUARD POST

SOME OF THE GUARDS WERE NICE ENOUGH TO TOSS US TREATS

SIR WHY ARE YOU DOING THAT?

HMMMM. LIKE THEM

THEY KEEP.. THE RAT POPULATION IN CONTROL

I JUST HAPPENED TO BE IN THE RIGHT PLACE AT THE RIGHT TIME

WHEN SHE CAME

I HAVE A CRIMINAL TO REPORT

OOOHHH IF IT ISN'T... MY FFFAVOURITE HEADHUNTER

WITH A WONDERFUL TREAT. AS ALWAYS.

THIS MUST BE... THE FIFTH TIME YOU VE BROUGHT HIM HERE

WHAT DID HE DO NOW.

... HE PARKED HIS CART IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ROAD

WELL.. THAT IS A CRIME. TAKE HIM TO CUSTODY.

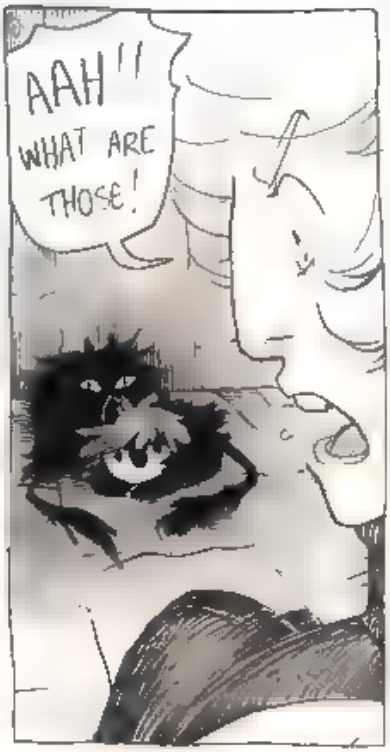
... MMMYOU DO KNOW THAT.. THESE MINOR OFFENSES WON'T KEEP HIM LOCKED UP... AND HE KNOWS IT..

NO, BUT AT LEAST I CAN INTERRUPT HIS WORK EVERY NOW AND THEN

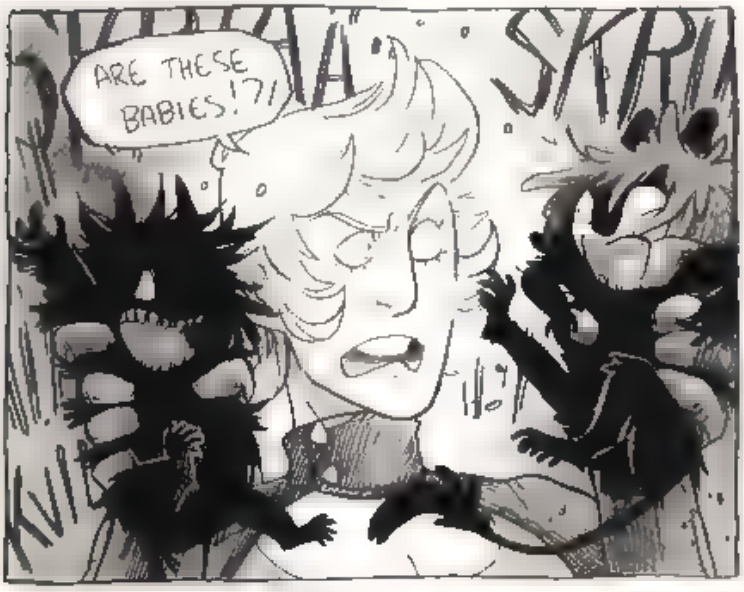
YOU... MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO MORE IF YOU'D JOIN THE.... BRIGADE.

ESPECIALLY... IF YOU WERE TO WORK UNDER MY COMMAND...

NO THANKS, I GET MORE FREEDOM THIS WA -


AAH!! WHAT ARE THOSE!

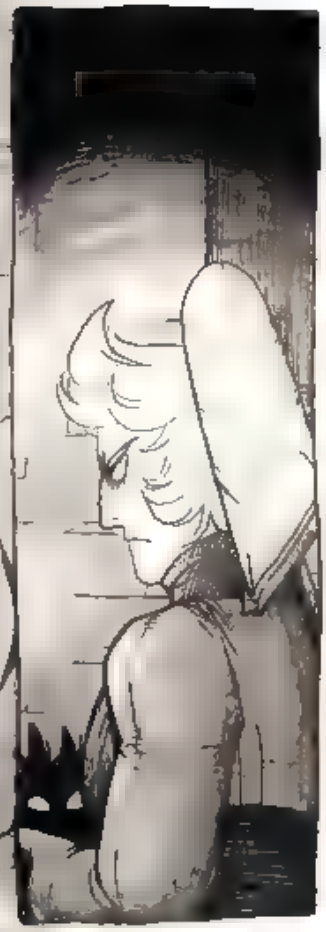
COME HERE FOR A SEC!


ARE THESE BABIES!?!
SKRI

SOMETIMES, THE INMATES BRING LITTLE EXTRA WITH THEM.

THAT'S F ICKED UP
HEY

YOU CAN NOT TAKE PRISON PROPERTY WITH YOU



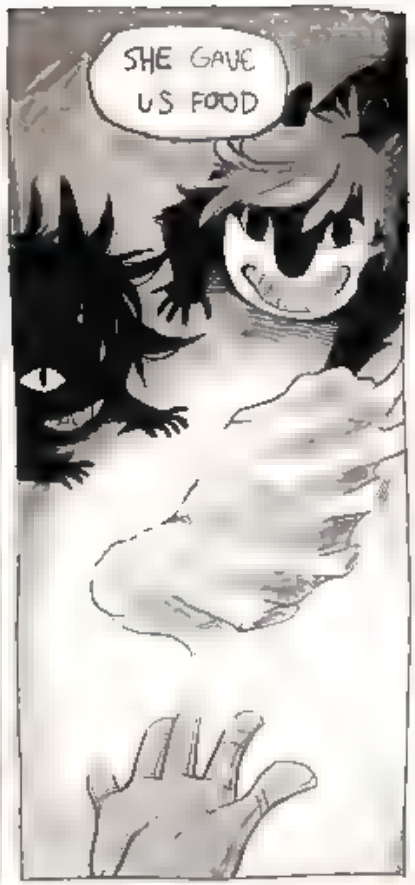
SELA. AL
KNOW ABOUT YOU.
IS THAT YOU CLAIM
TO BE A HUMAN
THAT JUST POPPED
OUT OF NOWHERE
AND STARTED
HUNTING OUR MOST.
NOTORIOUS CRIMINALS

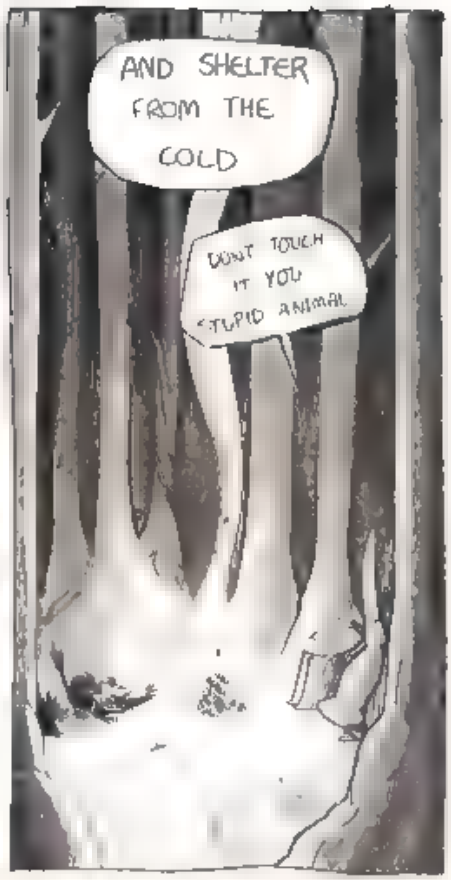
YOU BEND
THE LAW
AND.. I'M WILLING TO
LOOK THE OTHER WAY
AS LONG AS THE JOB
GETS DONE.

JOIN THE BRIGADE...
AND IM SURE WE'LL
BE ABLE TO HELP
EACHOTHER

SO! IT WAS BECAUSE OF SELA WE GOT OUT OF THE PRISON
AND SHE TOOK US ALL THE WAY FROM RUNGHOLT
DEEP IN TO THE FORESTS
YOU TWO CALMED DOWN YET?
...SSHHH
MM-HM

SELA TOOK CARE OF US
HEY!! STOP FIGHTING!!


SHE GAVE US FOOD


AND SHELTER FROM THE COLD
DONT TOUCH IT YOU STUPID ANIMAL

IT DIDNT TAKE ME LONG TO TRUST HER
WHAT DO YOU WANT

AND SOON WE STARTED REALLY GETTING ALONG!

KRUH KRUH HEHE

TROLLS ARE VERY SOCIAL YOU KNOW!

OH RIGHT, IF YOU WONDER, WE DIDN'T ALWAYS LIVE IN THE FOREST!

HEEHEHE

TIRSK KRUHK

SOMETIMES, WE WENT TO ONE OF SELAS APARTMENTS

SHE HAS ONE IN EVERY CITY! WE MOVED A LOT BETWEEN THEM, WHEREVER SELA HAD A JOB TO DO

WE LOVED LIVING IN VINETIA BECAUSE YOU GET THE BEST STEAK FROM THERE!

BUT USUALLY WE ATE DOGFOOD..

IT'S CHEAPER, AND MEAT RIGHT?

.. WE ALSO SNUCK OUT OFTEN AND ATE THE DOGS

AND I USED TO HAVE A PET BUG... BUT I ATE IT.

THERE ARE MORE OUTSIDE...

DID I MENTION THAT SELA GAVE US OUR NAMES!

YOU'RE TOSKA. IT MEANS, UH, MISERABLE

AND YOU'RE TANVO IT MEANS DUMB

AND THAT SHE TAUGHT US TO SPEAK!

FUCKING HELL!!

HELL!

..ELL

BILL

AND ONE TIME SHE TRIED TO TAKE US TO ...O PLAY WITH OTH... ...S BUT OF COURSE IT DID... ...WORK OUT. WE RE... ...MUCH STRONG... AND... AT... RY... THE... ...YES

UM, TOSKA-

TOSKA!

HEY, I'M SORRY TO INTERRUPT, BUT, UH... WILL THIS TAKE LONG?

HAHA SORRY I STARTED RAMBLING!
I GUESS FIVE YEAR OLD TOSKA ISN'T THAT INTERESTING
CAN SKIP TO THE PART WHERE THE, UH, ACTUAL PROBLEMS STARTED
PROBLEMS?
CHILDHOOD IS ALL FUN AND GAMES, BUT EVENTUALLY COMES THE TIME EVERY CREATURE HAS TO GO THROUGH.
PUBERTY

YOU SEE IT?
TS EVEN JGLIER THAN IN THE CTURE!
NO LISTEN UP, TOSKA
TARASQUE ARE NASTY BASTARDS WITH COUNTLESS OF WAYS TO KILL YOU.
TIS ALSO ENDANGERED, SO THE MINISTRY WANTS US TO LURE IT FAR FROM THE VILLAGE
WE MUST NOT HURT IT IN ANY WAY
THAT IS WHY WE DIDNT TAKE YOUR BIG BROTHER WITH US.

HERE
USE THIS TO MAKE AS MUCH NOISE AS POSSIBLE
AND AS ALWAY
REMEMBER THAT I'LL BE OKAY IF ANYTHING SHOULD HAPPEN
BUT YOU WON'T.
SO YOU RUN.
UNDERSTOOD?
UNDERSTOOD

KRA

HEY! OVER HERE!
STUBBYLEGS!
KRAKRAKRA

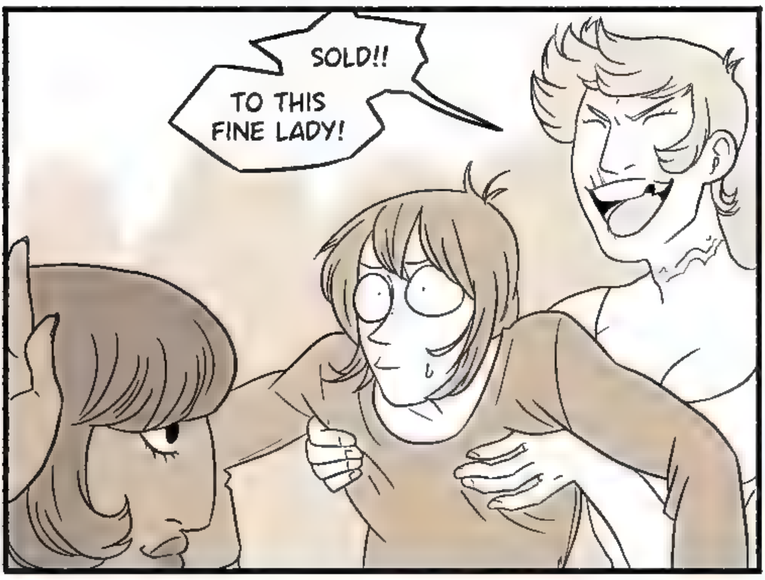
THINK FAST OR YOU'RE GONNA MISS ON A TASTY SNACK!
YEAH YOU... YOU TURTLE!

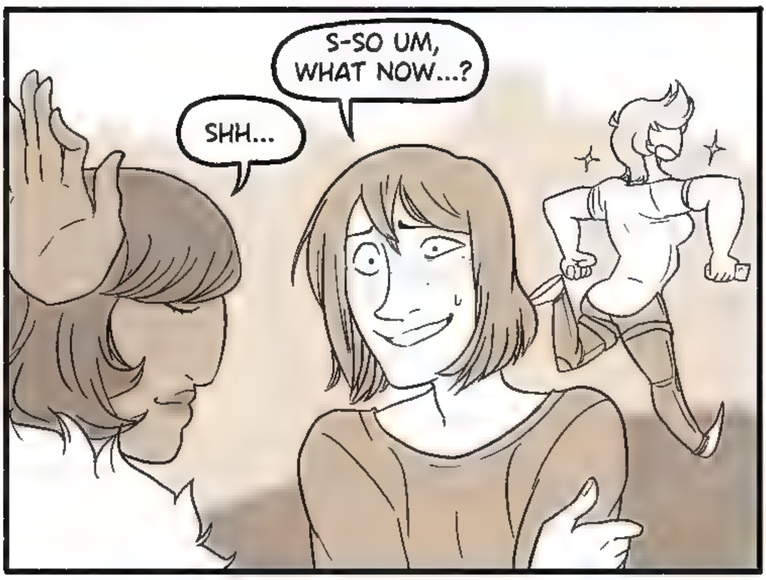
OORPP

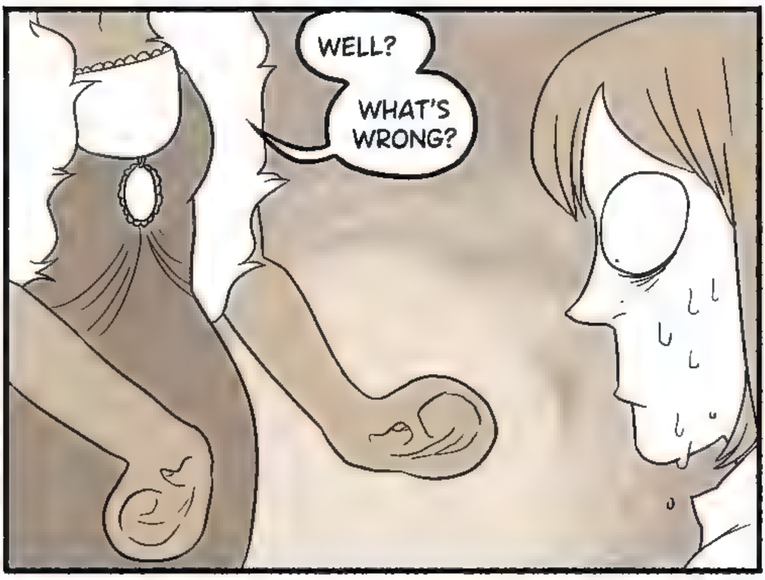
THREE PAIRS OF LEGS
-HAHH-
SURE HELP WITH THE RUNNING!
AND YOU'RE NOT EVEN BREAKING A SWEAT!
I'M ONLY WARMING UP!!
NOW LOOK, WE HAVE TO LEAD IT TO THE UPPER GROUND!
AND IT'S GONNA GET MUCH MORE DIFFICULT TO RUN IN THE WOODS..
.. NOT THAT I'M DOING, HUH, THAT GOOD ON FLAT GROUND EITHER..!

UGHHH
HHHHHH
HUH-HH-
IT'S GETTING TIRED
KEEP THE RATTLE READY,
IT NEEDS A LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENT
HUFF
HUFF

TAKE MY HANDS







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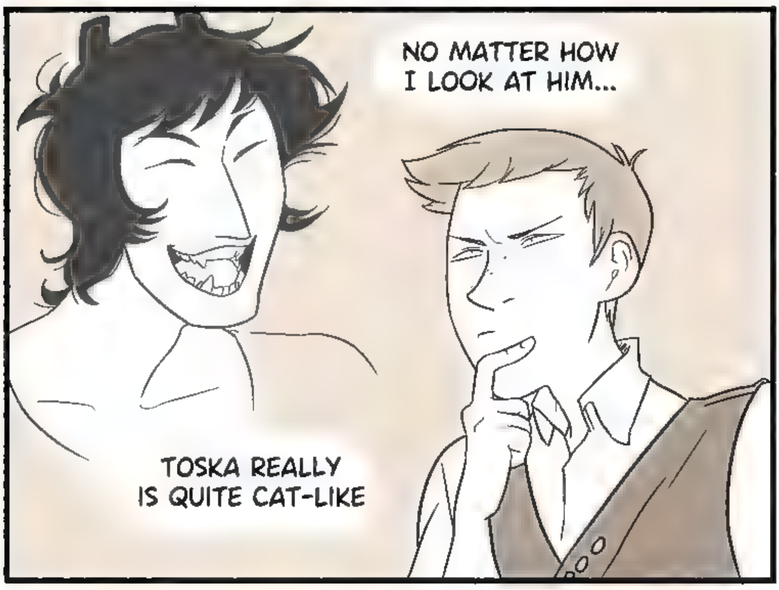
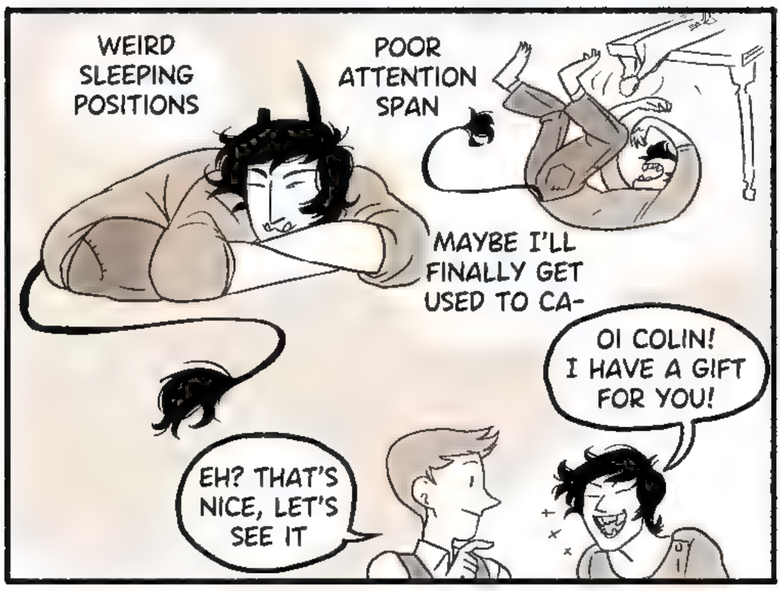

NO MATTER HOW I LOOK AT HIM...
TOSKA REALLY IS QUITE CAT-LIKE


WEIRD SLEEPING POSITIONS
POOR ATTENTION SPAN
MAYBE I'LL FINALLY GET USED TO CA-
OI COLIN! I HAVE A GIFT FOR YOU!
EH? THAT'S NICE, LET'S SEE IT

PLOP

I'M SELLING MY ROOMMATE
EH
I'M SORRYYYY
BSS - PRACE

THUG
SELA
WHY DID YOU TAKE TOSKA WITH YOU AND NOT ME!?
WAIT- WHAT?

TELL ME IF I'M WRONG, BUT...
ISNT YOUR... UM... BIG BROTHER LIKE
REALLY
SHORT?
YEAH HE IS!
BUT NOT REALLY!
I MEAN - HE'S SMALL NOW AND HAS BEEN FOR SOME TIME -
OH I'LL JUST SHOW YOU!
WE CANT USE MAGIC OURSELVES BUT SELA COMMISSIONED TRANSFORMATION SPELLS FOR US!
YOU PEEL THE COVER OFF
SLAP IT ON -

AND WHOO!
I'M SLIGHTLY SMALLER!
AND HAVE LESS TEETH
TAHVO HAS TATTOOED HIS OWN SPELL ONTO HIS ARM

.. OH CRAP! ALWAYS FORGET ABOUT THESE FLESHY STUMPS

AAAAAA.
...THIS IS SLIGHTLY DISTURBING.

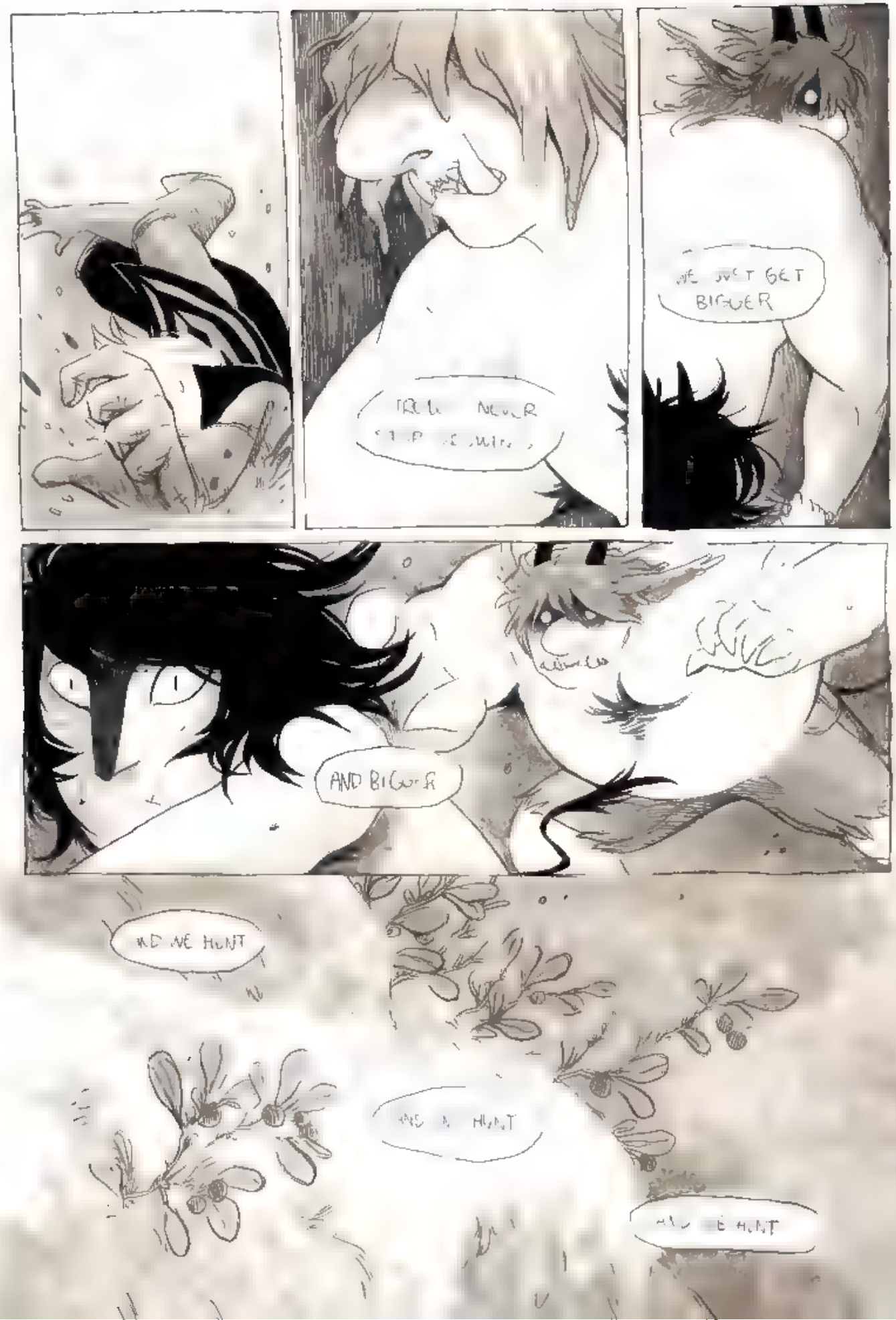
STOP THAT!
AAAA

OKAY BACK! TO MY VERY DRAMATIC YOUTH!
I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU JUST LEFT ME!!
Y-Y: YOU JUST DON'T GET IT!

OH GET IT JUST FINE
YOU'RE TOO UNPREDICTABLE
HEY FUCK YOU!

YOU JUST WANNA GET RID OF ME AS ALWAYS!
WELL THAT'S ABOUT TO BE TRUE IF YOU KEEP ACTING LIKE AN ASS!!

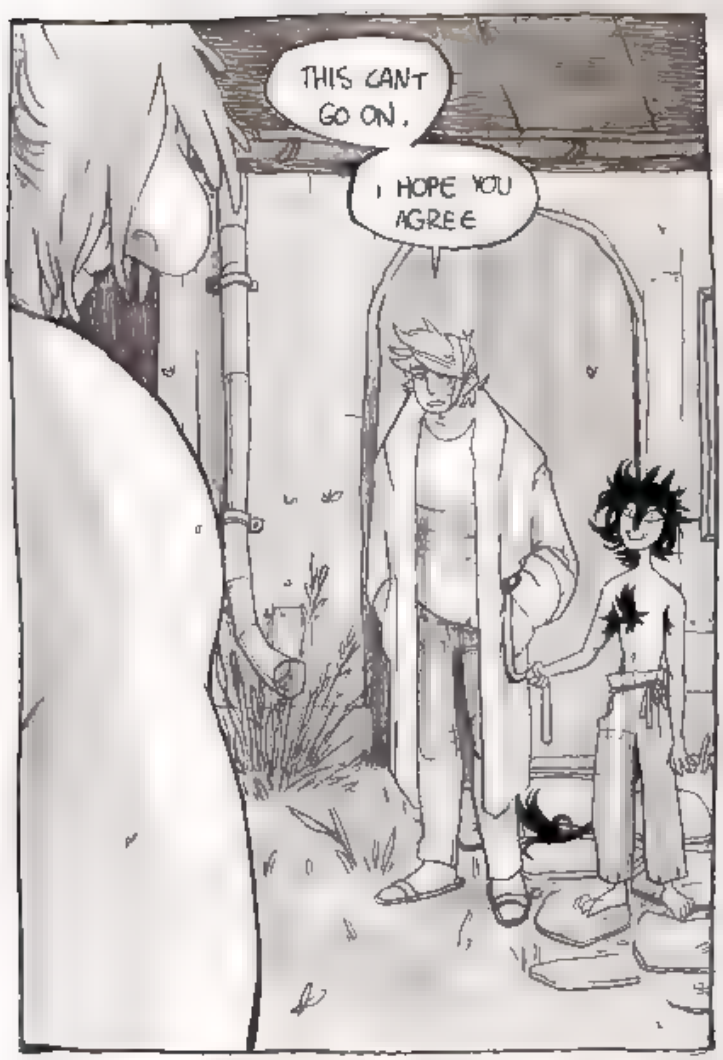
THERE! YOU JUST SAID IT-
I DID NOT YOU IDIOT!
I SAID, I WILL IF YOU DONT STOP WITH YOUR STUP
WOW SO YOU CAN JUST SAY SHIT LIK
JUST STOP IT!!
SHUT UP!!!

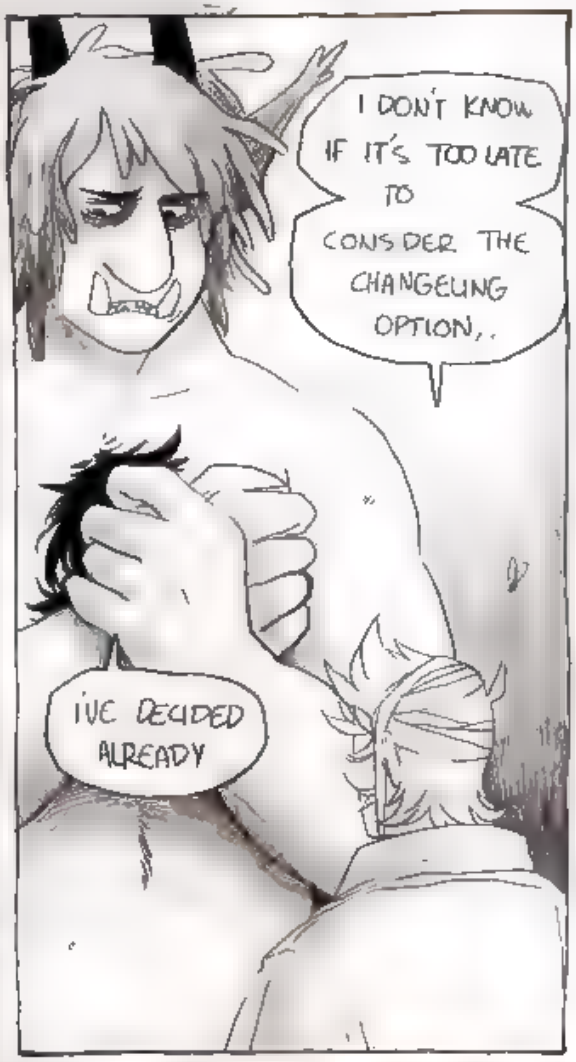

WE JUST GET BIGGER
AND BIGGER
AND WE HUNT

AND ONE DAY
T BECAME CLEAR
THAT
WE COULD NOT
BE TOGETHER
ANY LONGER
TAHVO GREW
TOO BIG
AND I WAS
HALFWAY THERE
SKRTS.
SKRTS
KELA
ARE YOU SURE
YOU DONT WANT ONE?
NO
YOU USE
THEM
USE THEM
ALL

SELA
WHY DOES TAHVO HURT US?

TAHVO.

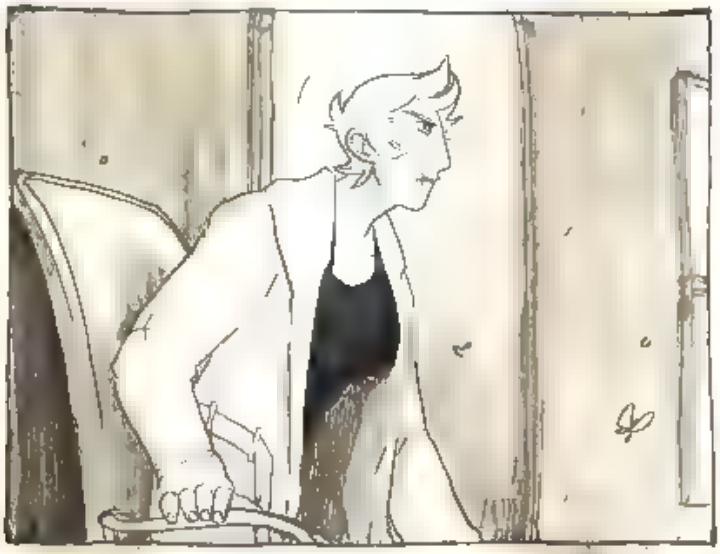

THIS CAN'T GO ON.
I HOPE YOU AGREE

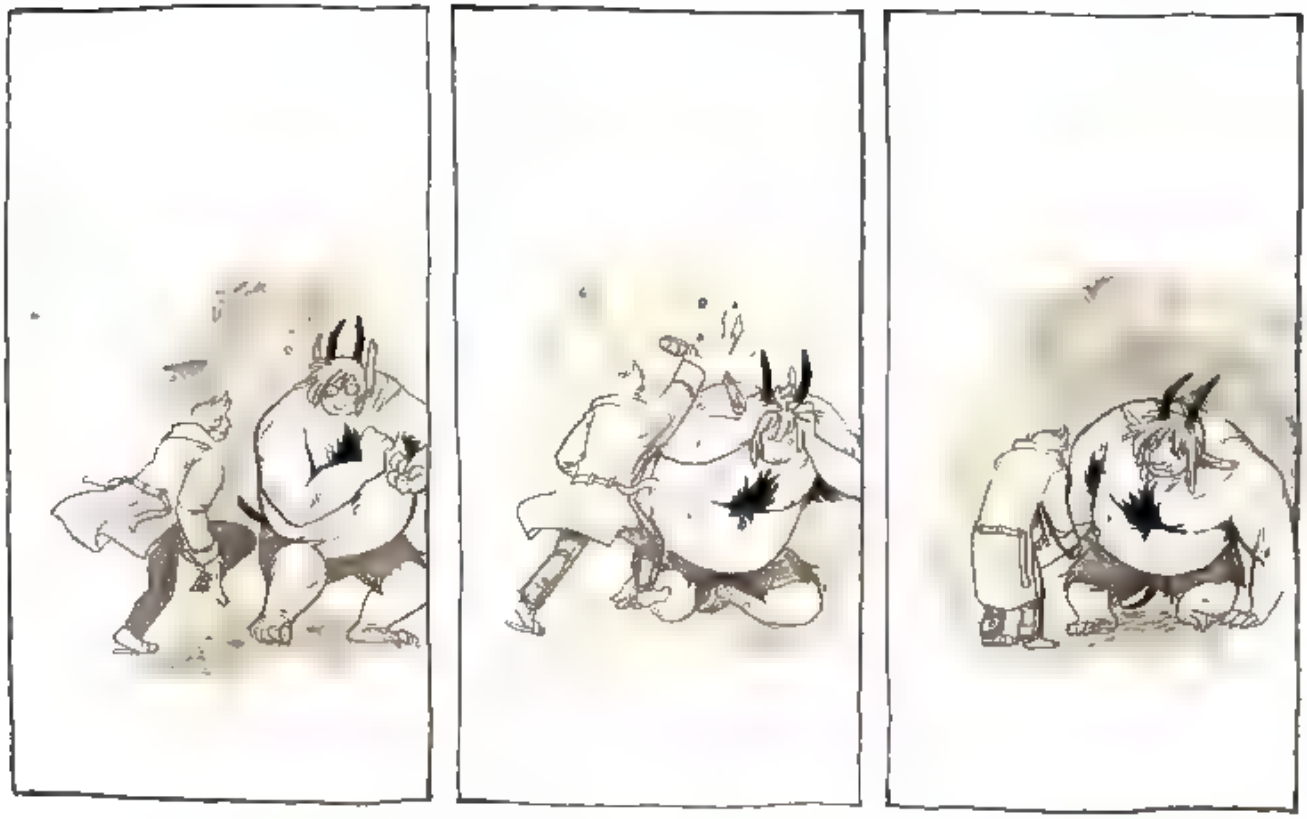

I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S TOO LATE TO CONSIDER THE CHANGELING OPTION,.
I'VE DECIDED ALREADY

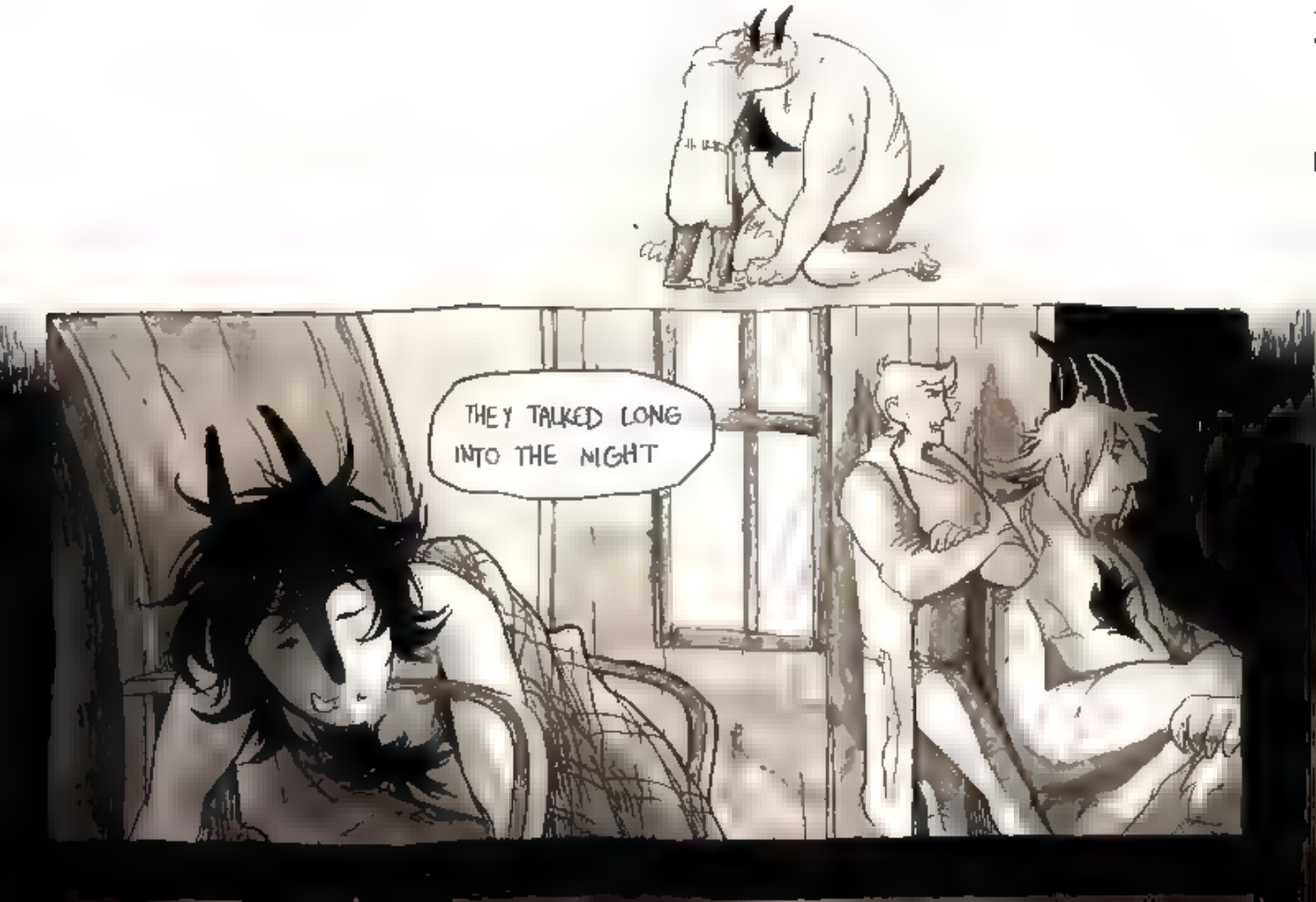
I'M LEAVING.
I'LL GO TO THE MOUNTAINS TO FIND OTHER TROLLS

AND SO TAHVO LEFT JUST LIKE THAT
I WAS TOO YOUNG TO REALLY CARE
BUT SEVA CARED A LOT
WE DIDN'T LEAVE THE CABIN FOR A WHOLE WEEK

AND THEN HE CAME BACK






THEY TALKED LONG INTO THE NIGHT

AND THE FOLLOWING MORNING WE MOVED BACK TO RUNGHOLT.
TAHVO DECIDED TO GET HIS HORNS CUT, SO WE MIGHT STAY A WHILE
PACK ALL YOUR STUFF WITH YOU.
AAAAA AAAAAND THEN WE WENT THERE, DID THE THING, AND, THATS IT! EVERYTHING WAS FINE! COOL! O-KAYYY!
UM

TOSKA ?
YOU DOING OKAY?
YEAH
JUST
I'VE NEVER TOLD THIS STUFF TO ANYONE BEFORE. IT FEELS ODD
BUT AT THE SAME TIME IT'S SO... LIBERATING!
I DIDN'T KNOW TALKING ABOUT THINGS COULD DO THAT!
-PFFTH-

AND I THINK... THAT IS WHY I HAVE TO FINISH THIS STORY EVEN IF IT FEELS GROSS
AND I WANT YOU TO UNDERSTAND!
SO!
CHANGELINGS ARE MAGICAL FOLK WHO DECIDE TO LIVE AMONG HUMANS, SO THEY GET THEIR BODY MODIFIED
IT'S PRETTY RARE THESE DAYS
BUT TROLLS AND A FEW OTHER SPECIES ARE CLASSIFIED AS FERALS!
SO WE STILL HAVE TO DO IT, OR GO LIVE IN A FOREST
SO HOW DOES THAT BASICALLY WORK?
YOU JUST CUT OFF EVERYTHING TO MAKE YOURSELF LOOK HUMAN?
IN SHORT, YES
RIP OFF THE FAIRY'S WINGS, AND IT LOSES ITS MAGIC.
TAKE THE SELKIE'S SKIN AND IT CAN'T TRANSFORM BACK.
CUT OFF THE TROLL'S HORNS, AND IT... STOPS BEING A TROLL.

AND THAT'S WHAT WE'RE DOING WITH TAHJI
NOT MANY DOCTORS ARE WILLING TO OPERATE ADULT TRICKS
BUT WE FOUND ONE WHO VALUED MONEY OVER SAFETY.
COME AGAIN NEXT MOON AND I'LL BURN THE STUBS AGAIN
JUST IN CASE THEY START GROWING
AND HOW ABOUT THE SMALLER ONE?
IT'S BETTER TO CUT THEM NOW BEFORE THEY TURN COMPLETELY FERAL
I DON'T WANT T

DO YOU... WANT TO LIVE WITH OTHER TROLLS?
THEN YOU HAVE TO DO AS TAHVO DID!
NO!
I WANNA LIVE WITH YOU! I PROMISE TO BE GOOD!
BUT SELA INSISTED, AND I YIELDED EVENTUALLY
BUT AFTER THE DOCTOR HAD CUT THE FIRST HORN, I STARTED CRYING, IT HURT SO MUCH!
SELA THREW HER OUT OF THE WINDOW.
AND THEN WEAAAHH!!!

AAAAAAHH
WOAH
HUH
I THOUGHT MY HORNS HAD FALLEN OFF
UH
ANYWAY
GUESS I'M IN BETWEEN A TROLL AND A HALFLING?
WHICH MEANS THAT...
...THAAAAT...
WHY WAS I TELLING ALL THIS AGAIN?
WELL, YOU WANTED TO SHARE MORE ABOUT YOURSELF BECAUSE YOU... WANT TO BE MY FRIEND?
AH YES! SO NOW YOU KNOW A THING OR TWO ABOUT ME!
AND I'M VERY GOOD WITH HUMANS, I HAVE HIGH CONFIDENCE IN MYSELF THAT I WOULDN'T EAT YOU!
DO YOU NOW...

BUT I HAVE TO SAY, IT SEEMS THAT YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH A LOT. NOTHING BAD HAS EVER HAPPENED IN MY LIFE..
THOUGH ONCE I GOT EATEN BY A SHARK WITH STUBBY LEGS, THAT WAS PRETTY TRAUMATIC, I GUESS.
HEHE
PFFT—
HAHAHAH!
W-WHY ARE YOU LAUGHING! DID I DO SOMETHING FUNNY?
HAHAHA-NO, NO IT'S JUST! THE WHOLE SITUATION IS SO ABSURD! I CAN'T HELP IT!

YOU'RE FUN!

I LIKE YOU!
THAT'S A WAY TOO EMBARRASSING THING TO SAY TO SOMEONE YOU BARELY KNOW!

IS THERE A CHANCE I COULD START SAYING THOSE THINGS IN THE FUTURE?
..IF I BRING YOU FOOD, WILL IT KEEP YOU FROM, UM, BEING TOO MUCH OF A TROLL?

YOU BET! I WILL DO MY BEST!
I'LL BE SUCH A GOOD FRIEND THAT YOU'VE NEVER SEEN A FRIEND BEING SO FRIENDLY!
WOW

WELL THAT TOOK ALMOST THE WHOLE MORNING
I'M LATE I'M LATE
I'M LATE
. . .
I'M HIDING A MANEATING BEAST IN MY 10 SQUARE METER ROOM
WHAT IS WRONG WITH ME!
I MUST BE WAY MORE DESPERATE FOR ATTENTION THAN I THOUGHT!
HEY!
SORRY IF I'M LATE!
AH NO YOU'RE JUST IN TIME! COME ON IN!

SO, HERE'S YOUR WORKING STATION!
YOU'LL BE WASHING THE DISHES COMING FROM ALL THE PRIVATE QUARTERS.
HERE'S WHERE THE WATER COMES. WE COLLECT IT STRAIGHT
THESE POOR PEOPLE DON'T HAVE DISHWASHERS
AND HERE'S YOUR PARTNER WHO ALSO STARTED TODAY!
HELLO!
LET'S BOTH WORK OUR BEST.

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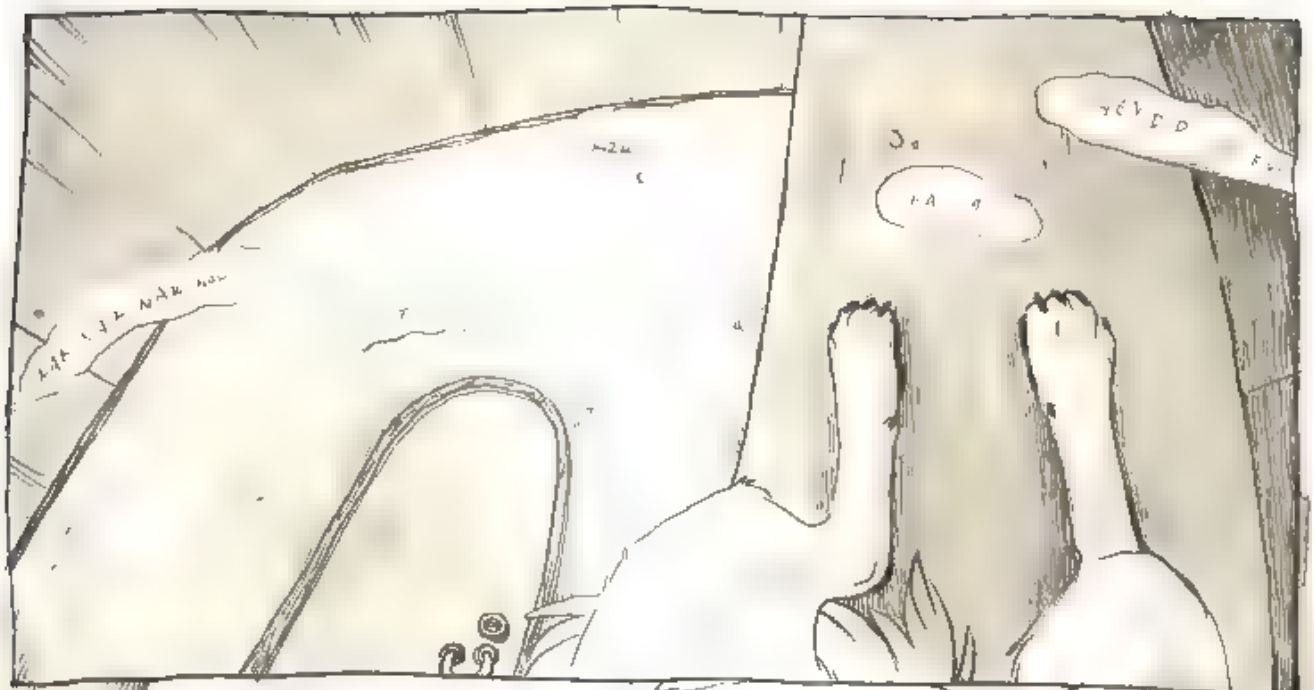


TAK
TAK
TAK

TAK
TAK

KNOK KNOK!!
YES?
AH
PIKOKAI HAS INVITED YOU FOR A BREAKFAST!

SHOULD I... ASK FOR MY FRIENDS TO JOIN?
THE INVITATION IS FOR YOU ONLY
'CAUSE YOU GOT VISITORS
HI MIKO!
HERE COME SIT WITH US!
HI!
MORNING!

OH YOU'RE HERE... WELL THEN, I'LL LEAVE YOU TO YOUR WEREWOLF BUSINESS.
ALWAYS A PLEASURE, PAM
THANKS FOR HAVING US!
COME SEE ME SOMETIME ...THOUT YOUR FRIENDS HAHA
M HM!
PFFT! HE'S SO THIRSTY FOR ATTENTION IT'S UNBELIEVABLE!
AAAANYWAY! WHOA I FORGOT HOW BIG YOU WERE! AND THOSE TINY TUFTS ON YOUR EARS!

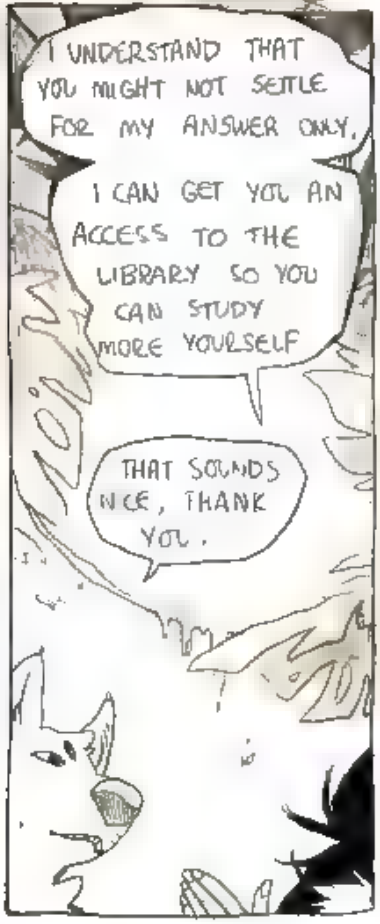
SIT DOWN
SIT DOWN
DAYO HAS SOMETHING FOR YOU
THANK YOU!
SO NOW YOU CAN, UM, SWAP FREELY BETWEEN HUMAN AND WOLF
SO, HAHA, I'M GONNA GO NOW!
BYE!
SHE'S VERY FOND OF YOU.

BUT HEY!
YOU MUST HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS ON YOUR MIND.

WELL.
YOU SURE THERE'S NO WAY TO GET RID OF THIS?

THERE IS NO KNOWN "CURE" FOR THE WEREWOLF CURSE.
I'VE FOUND A LOT OF CONNECTIONS BETWEEN TRANSFORMATION MYTHS AROUND THE WORLD,
BUT EEEHH..

THEY RARELY TELL ANYTHING ABOUT TURNING BACK, AND IF THEY DO, IT'S AWFULLY SHADY


I UNDERSTAND THAT YOU MIGHT NOT SETTLE FOR MY ANSWER ONLY.
I CAN GET YOU AN ACCESS TO THE LIBRARY SO YOU CAN STUDY MORE YOURSELF
THAT SOUNDS NICE, THANK YOU.

IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE, I COULD START SHOWING YOU SOME TRICKS AND TIPS ON HOW TO SURVIVE FROM NOW ON!

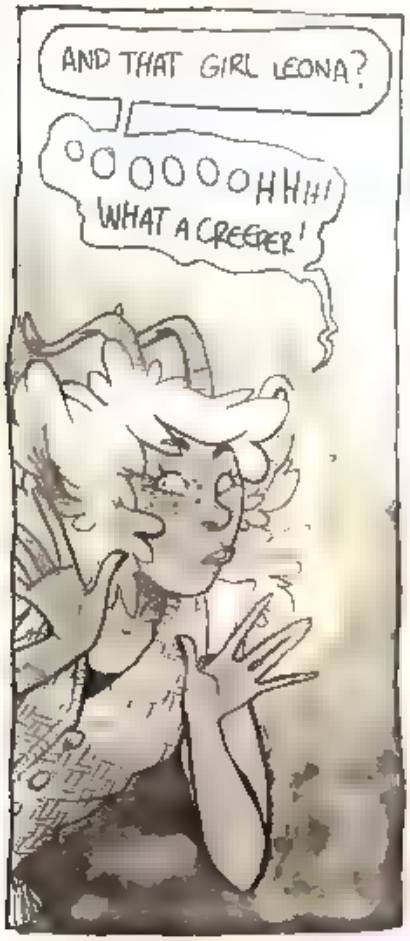
MMM... I DON'T THINK I HAVE ANY URGENT QUESTIONS.
LET'S GO THEN!
THIS SKYGARDEN IS MORE LIKE A SMALL, DENSE FOREST!
...WHICH IS PERFECT IF YOU NEED SOME PEACE AND QUIET
COME, LET'S GET COMFY BECAUSE THIS WILL TAKE A WHILE!
SO ARE YOU GONNA TEACH ME ALL KINDS OF COOL WEREWOLF STUNTS?
NAHH I'M GONNA TEACH YOU HOW TO REMAIN HUMAN

ALL NEW WEREWOLVES HAVE TO GO THROUGH A TEMPERAMENT TEST. THOSE WHO CAN'T PASS ARE SENT TO LIVE IN THE FORESTS.
THEY ARE TOO WILD AT HEART AND GIVE IN TO THE INSTINCT.
SOMETIMES WE CAN HEAR THEIR DISTANT CRIES ON A CLEAR NIGHT.
THEY HAVE LONG SINCE FORGOTTEN THEY WERE PEOPLE ONCE
SO UNLESS YOU WANNA END UP LIKE THOSE GUYS, HEED MY ADVICE!
FIRST, WE'RE GONNA START WITH YOUR HEARING..
...AND HOW TO SHUT OUT UNNECESSARY NOISE.

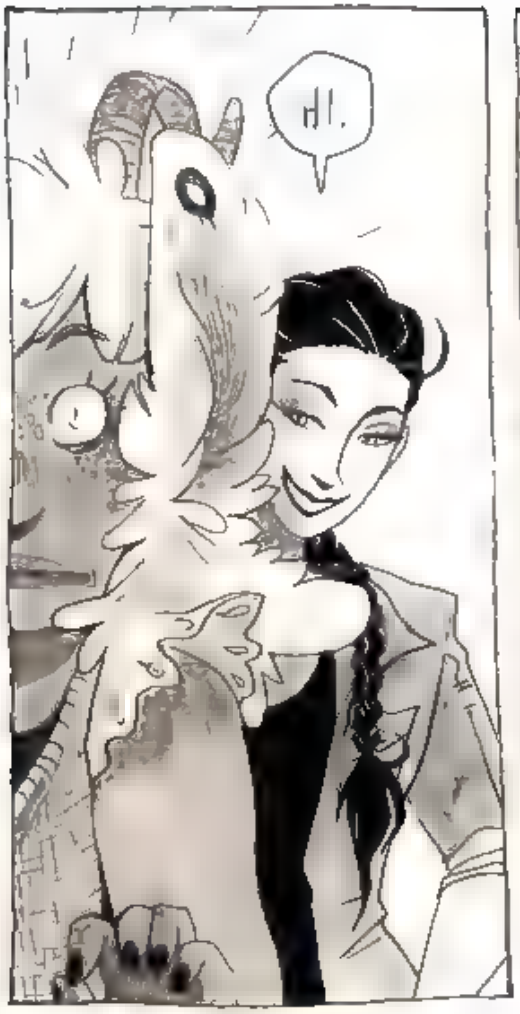
HEYA
DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE NEW PEOPLE ALREADY?
YEAH
ONE OF THEM IS DOWN THERE
THE PUPPY GUY IS REAL CUTE
KNOOOW!
HE LOOKS SO FLUFFY!

THE NEXT TIME WE'RE LANDING TO HAVE A PARTY WITH THE CITY PEOPLE -
-I'M GONNA ASK HIM TO DANCE WITH ME!
MMM

AND - AND - AND!! DID YOU HEAR ABOUT COLIN THEIR REDHEAD FRIEND!
I HEARD THAT IT TOOK THE KITCHEN STAFF HALF AN HOUR TO GET HIM TO TOUCH THE WET FOOD ON THE DISHES!
OH MY


AND THAT GIRL LEONA?
OOOOOHHH! WHAT A CREEPER!

THERE'S SOMETHING REALLY UNSETTLING ABOUT HER!!


HI.

SSSSOOO. YOU DRIVE THESE THINGS?
'CAUSE I NEED A RIDE TO THE GROUND.

AND IS THERE A REASON FOR SUCH A TRIP?
I GOT A HEARTATTACK!!

I LOST SOMETHING, NEAR A BAR CALLED FATA MORGANA AND I NEED IT BACK

I SEE LET US GO THEN.
YOU'D ALREADY SO EASILY!?

OH HOW I LOVE THESE VANS!
WOAH
HEH

NICE SHIP YOU GOT HERE
THANKS
AND THESE WOODEN PANELS?
ALL MAHOGANY
WHY ARE YOU PEOPLE SO AFRAID OF CATS?
OSPRFFSTHPR
SSSSHHH DONT - DONT TALK ABOUT THOSE THINGS!
ESPECIALLY NOT IN MY VAN!
IT'S BECAUSE DEATH IS DRAWN TO CATS -
DONT ENCOURAGE HER!!!

OH? SHOULD I BE WORRIED THEN, SINCE OUR DRIVER SEEMS A BIT FELINE TO ME!
WHMM
OKAY, OKAY, I'M JUST GONNA TELL YOU HOW THINGS WORK BEFORE YOU START RUNNING YOUR MOUTH TO THE WRONG PERSON
BUT THE THING THAT MAKES THEM
THERE'S NINE OF THE SAME ANIMAL, STUFFED IN ONE
WHAT!?

WHICH MEANS IT HAS TO DIE MULTIPLE TIMES!

AND! YOU KNOW WHAT LINGERS AROUND TO COLLECT ALL THOSE DEAD CATS!

YOU KIND OF MAKE IT SOUND LIKE DEATH ISN'T A THING THAT HAPPENS BUT...
ALSO A PERSON?

SLAP!!

WE'RE LANDING!
AND... LET US NOT CONTINUE THIS CONVERSATION, IF YOU MAY!

HEYYYYy
HERE WE ARE!!
HOPE YOU ENJOYED YOUR FLIGHT.
AND GOOD LUCK ON FINDING THAT, WHATEVER YOU'RE LOOKING FOR!
WE'LL BE WAITING FOR YOU HERE,
BUT DON'T TAKE TOO LONG!
I WON'T

BUDDY
PURRRR
PURRRR

AW, YOU'RE JUST SO ROUND AND CUTE AS EVER!
CAN'T WAIT TO GET YOU UP ON THE SHIP WITH ME ♡
OUR RIDE IS WAITING!
LET'S GO!

FLOP

AW COME ON!
WHAT'S UP WITH THIS WEAK PERFORMANCE?

HMM
GUESS I NEED TO PUMP MYSELF UP TO MAKE THIS WORK

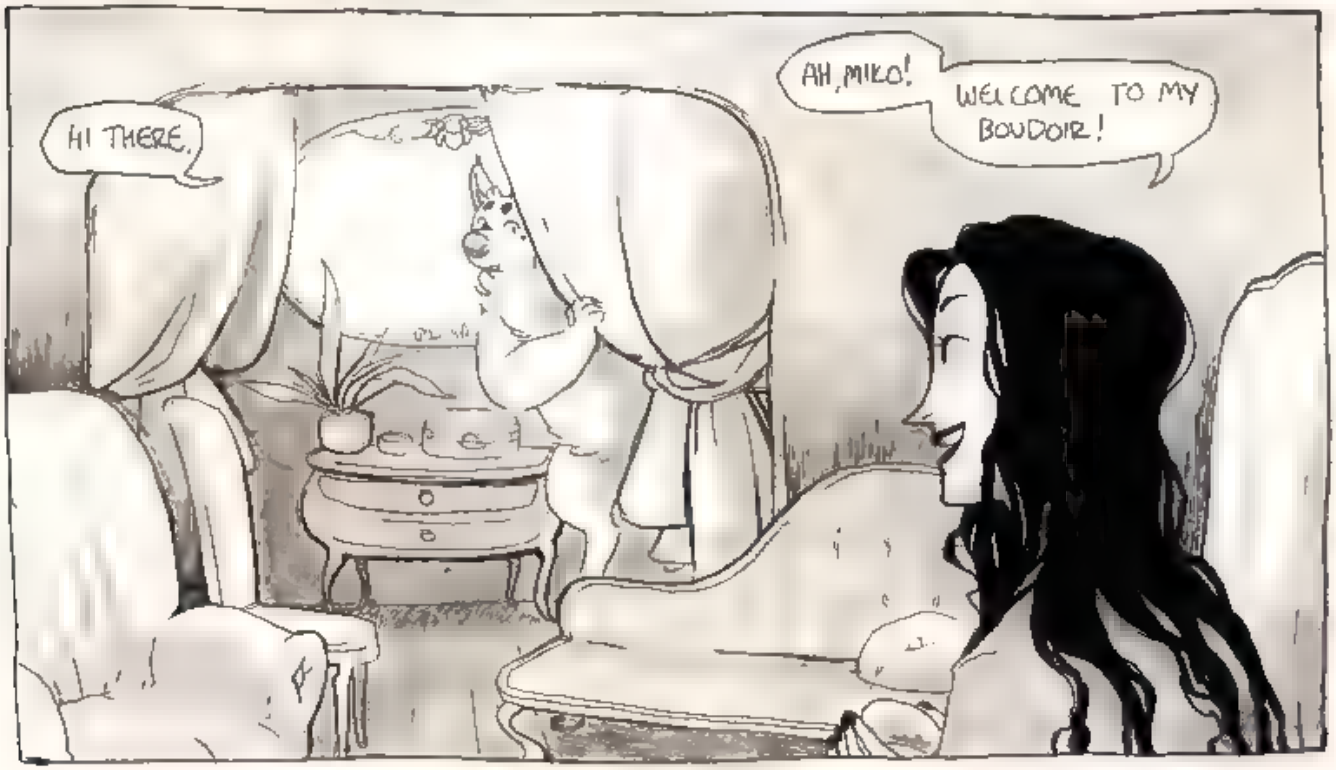
SPIRITHANDS!
I COMMAND YOU!!

FLORTS

UGH!
AH! HECK!
THIS IS STUPID
I'M STUPID
SHOULD WEAR THE SALMON PINK OR THE CORAL PINK DRESS?
HMM

KLAK
EXCUSE ME? COULD YOU OPEN BOTH DOORS SO I CAN FIT IN?
HI
SO... HOW DO YOU LIKE IT?
IS AN WINTER JACKET!?
IT ALSO HAS LIKE SO MANY AURAS SO DON'T BE TOO BOTHERED ABOUT IT

C... COME ON IN
THANKS!
HEY... I'M STILL WAITING FOR YOUR COMMENT ON MY TASTE IN FASHION
HOW ABOUT... WE JUST.. SIT NICE, AND QUIET FOR NOW.
HOW ABOUT THAT


HI THERE.
AH, MILO!
WELCOME TO MY BOUDOIR!

BOUDOIR?
OR PARLOUR, BEDROOM, LOUNGING ROOM, DRAWING ROOM, TAKE YOUR PICK!
THERE'S PAINFULLY MANY ROOMS IN MY QUARTERS
I'D RATHER HAVE IT ALL STACKED HERE
BUT HOW WAS YOUR DAY? ISN'T IT COOL BEING ON A GIGANTIC FLYING SHIP?
HMM. PAM CAME OVER TO TEACH ME A FEW THINGS ABOUT WEREWOLVES
AND IT TURNS OUT, I'LL HAVE TO PASS A SORT OF TEMPERAMENT TEST
OR I'LL BE SENT AWAY FROM ALL CIVILIZATION.
OHHHH

ANYWAY HOW WAS YOUR DAY?

..... I WISH I WAS DEAD ALREADY

THERE'S DON'T AT THAT
PAT

IM GONNA GO TO THE LIBRARY TOMORROW AND LEARN EVERYTHING THERE IS TO LEARN ABOUT YOU GUYS!

YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT I HAD TO GO THROUGH!

LOOK!!

...BUSTERS?

YOU CAN GET BUSTERS FROM DOING DISHES!?

AW HEY!

YOU WOULDNT KNOW! IVE HAD A ROUGH DAY!

NEVER CHANGE COLIN.

WE LOVE YOU.

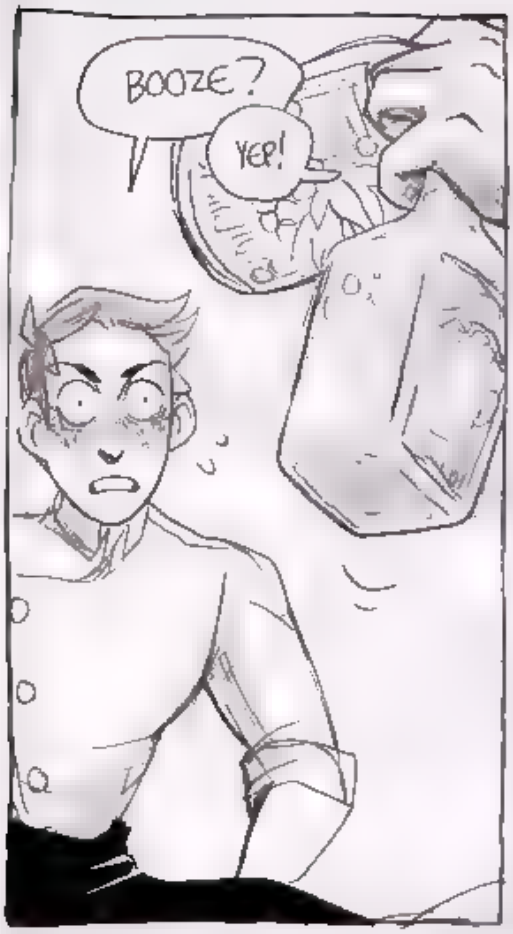
WHAT!

AAANYWAY! I'M GLAD YOU BOYS COULD MAKE IT HERE TONIGHT!

BECAUSE I HAVE SOMETHING FOR YOU!!

TA-DAA!

KLINK!


BOOZE?
YEP!

UNFAIR. I HAVE WORK TOMORROW.
WELL, YOU DON'T HAVE TO GET WASTED

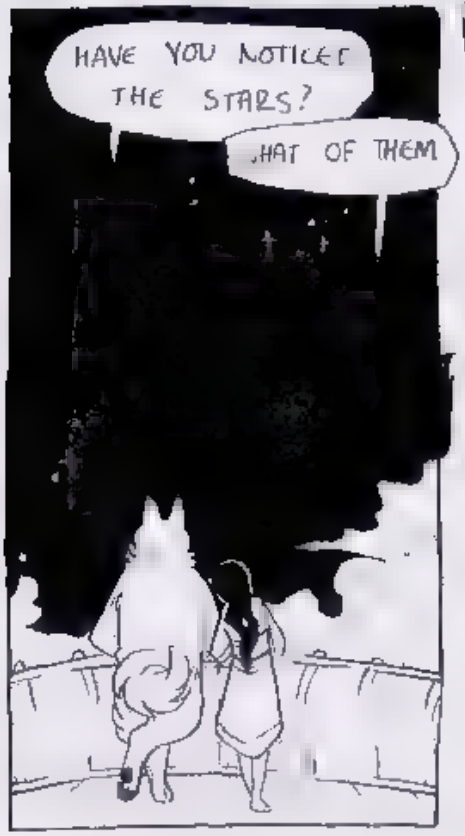
MORE FOR US, THEN!
I'LL GET THE GLASSES.
.... IS THAT PORT WINE

YOUR FAVOURITE ♡

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT, AFTER ONE GLASS
LET THE POOR BOY SLEEP

COME, LET'S GO TO THE BALCONY

DAMN. YOUR PLACE IS PRETTY COOL
HAHA! YOU CAN MOVE HERE BOTH WITH ME IF YOU WANNA
WHRRR


HAVE YOU NOTICED THE STARS?
WHAT OF THEM

THEY'RE NOT THE SAME THAN BACK IN HOME
HUH

...DON'T TELL COLIN ABOUT ME DYING SOON.

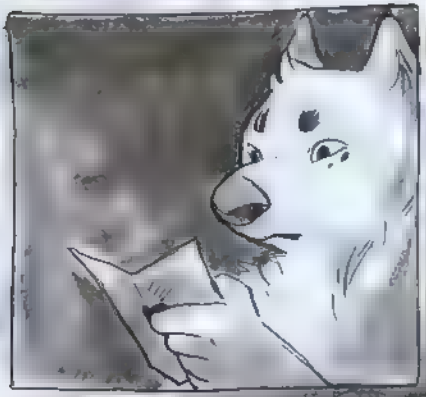
WHAT?! WHY! HE DESERVES TO KNOW!

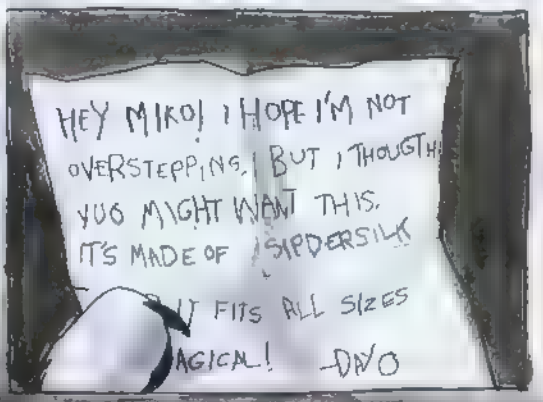
HE CAN'T EVEN HANDLE DAY TO DAY LIFE WITHOUT GETTING FIVE MELTDOWNS!

I DON'T WANT HIM TO WORRY ANY MORE THAN HE DOES ALREADY!

WOULD JUST GET INSUFFERABLE.
DON'T WANT THAT

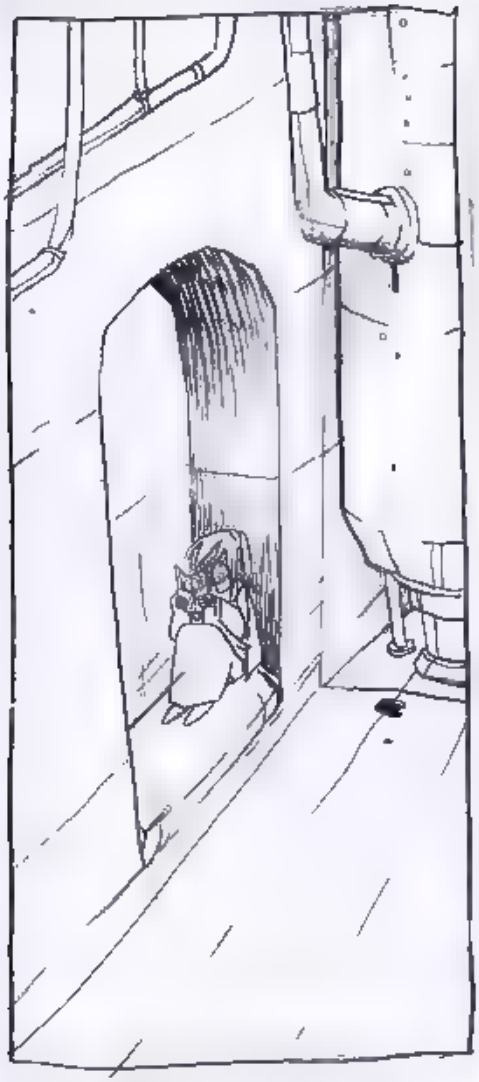
IT'S YOUR CHOICE.
THANK YOU.




HEY MIKO! I HOPE I'M NOT
OVERSTEPPING. BUT I THOUGTH
YOU MIGHT WANT THIS.
IT'S MADE OF SIPDERSILK
FITS ALL SIZES
AGICAL! -DAVO

VRGH
EH
AH!
SPROING!

OH
OH WHAT TIME IS IT
I HAVE TO GO TO WORK!
HUH
GOOD TO HAVE YOU BACK, BUDDY!
PAT
NH
THESE
THERE ANY HUMANITY LEFT IN ME! URGH!



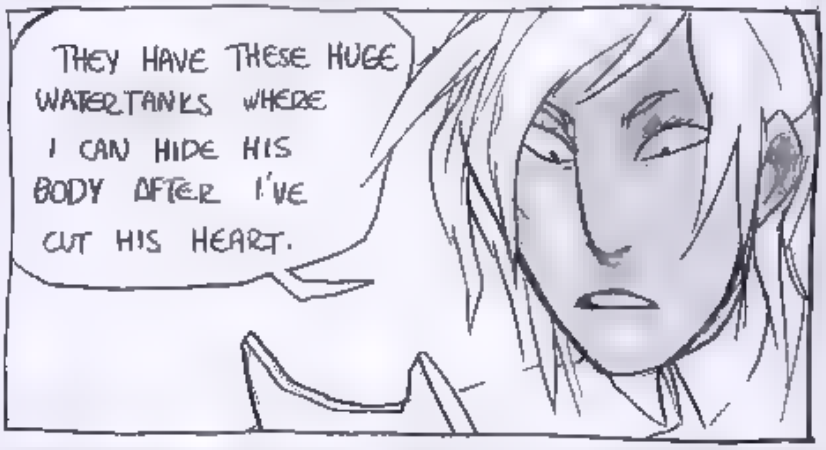
TAPIO? CAN YOU HEAR ME? TAP TWICE.

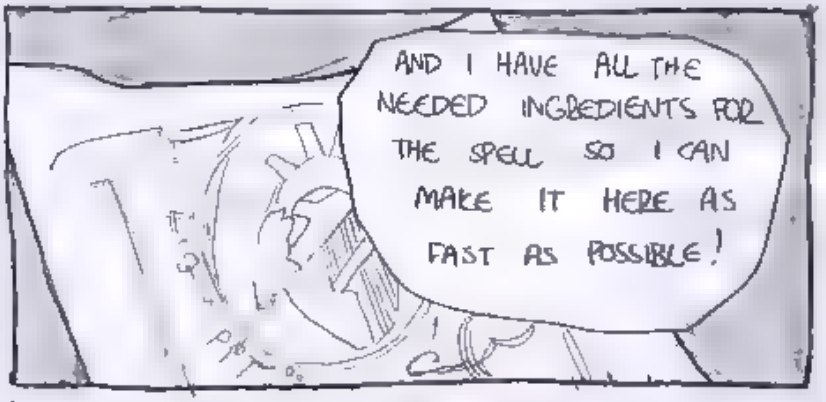
NAK
NAK

HI

I'VE NOW SUCCESFULLY INF -INFLR... FR... OH, BUGGER
WELL I'M HERE NOW! A-AND I'M RED READY FOR THE PHASE TWO

I'M WORKING ON THE SAME STATION AS THAT COLIN, SO THIS IS GOING TO BE EASY.


THEY HAVE THESE HUGE WATERTANKS WHERE I CAN HIDE HIS BODY AFTER I'VE CUT HIS HEART.


AND I HAVE ALL THE NEEDED INGREDIENTS FOR THE SPELL SO I CAN MAKE IT HERE AS FAST AS POSSIBLE!

IT'S HAPPENING TONIGHT.

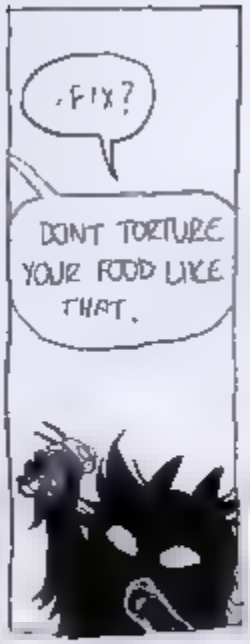
ANYWAY, I GOTTA GO NOW, SEE YOU SOON, HOPEFULLY...!
OKAY EVERYONE!
THESE ARE THE LAST DISHES FROM THE GREAT HALL!
THEN WE CAN WRAP IT UP FOR THE NIGHTCREW!
KLINK.
SSHH
KLAK

THE PET BUG
HUNGRY ..
RRROMPSS
SCUTTLE
SELA!
SELA!
LOOK!

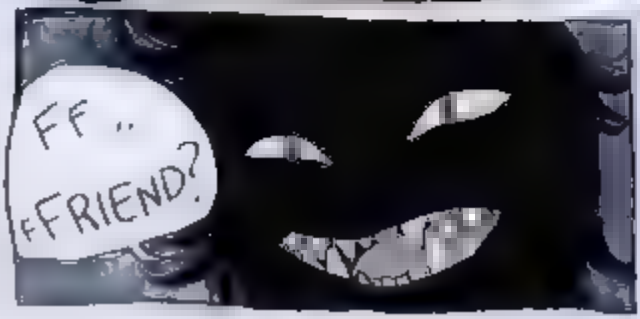
HUH? WHAT'S THIS?
FOOD

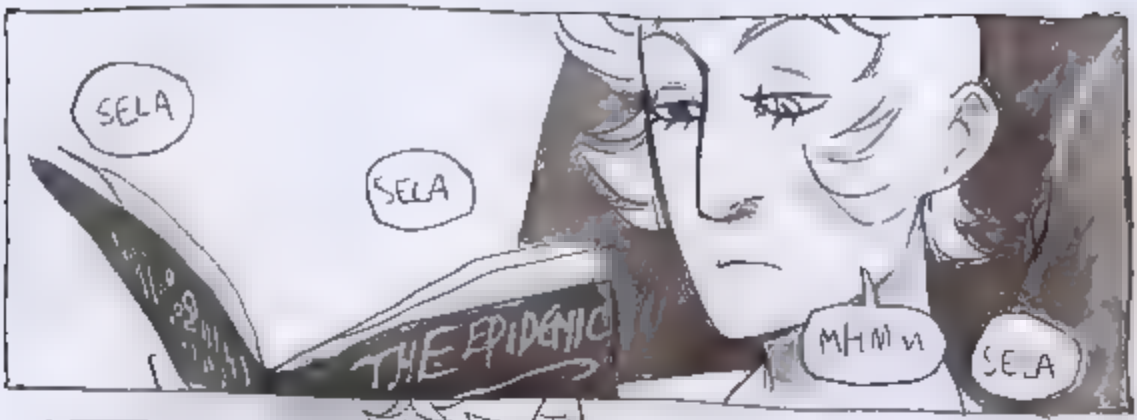
THAT'S A CONGRO-

—OH GODS
NAPS


.FIX?
DONT TORTURE YOUR FOOD LIKE THAT.

YOU EITHER KILL IT RIGHT AWAY OR LET IT GO.


FF..
FFRIEND?


SELA
SELA
THE EPIDEMIC
MHMM
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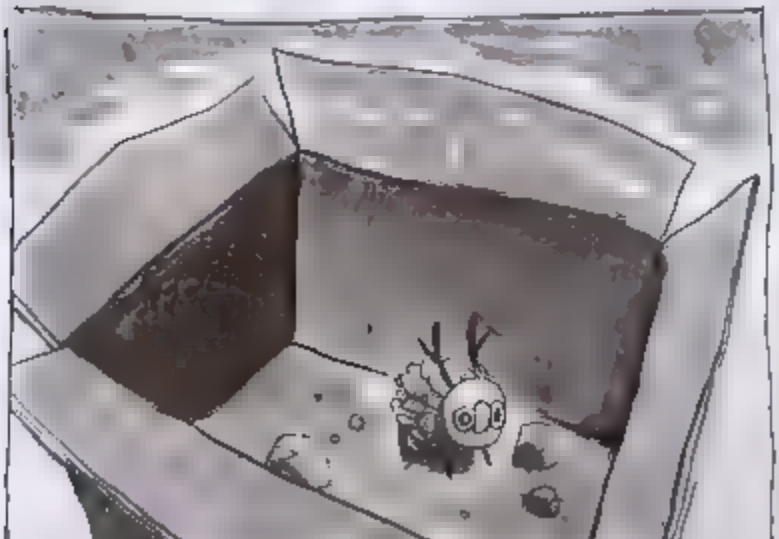
SELAAA!!
WHAT!?
HAHA, WHAT
HERE .S!
HERE IS!



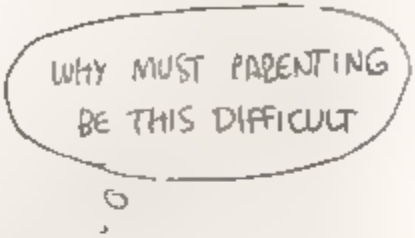
OH!

IT'S YOUR PET?
YOUR PET!
ALDUUUAA! AOOOU!!
REMEMBER TO FEED IT
ABLU BLIB

SELA
SELA
SELA
SELA!!!
AAAH
WHAT NOW!?
WHY
....
YOU KILLED IT

AGAIN?
AGAIN WHAT? ONCE SOMETHING IS DEAD IT WONT COME BACK
IT'S GONE FOREVER.
HOLY SHIT
WAAAHAUUH
OKAY CALM DOWN NOW
WAAAHAAHAUUU
LISTEN, YOU LEARNED AN IMPORTANT LESSON TODAY, DID YOU NOT?
AAAHAAAA

WAAAHAAHA
YOU CAN... STOP CRYING NOW.
PLEASE
WAAHA
WHY WON'T YOU ACCEPT MY COMFORTING WORDS


WHY MUST PARENTING BE THIS DIFFICULT

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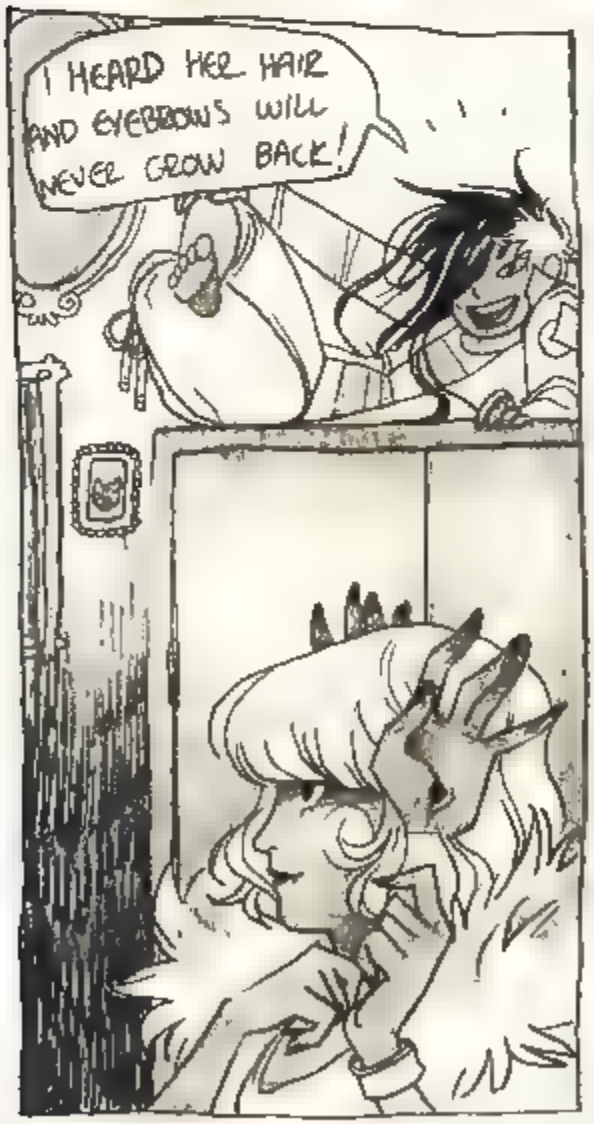
FEATURING PAM AND HORRIBLE PUNS

(I DIDN'T COME UP WITH ANY OF THE PUNS, THEY'RE ALL MADE BY SUSPU...)

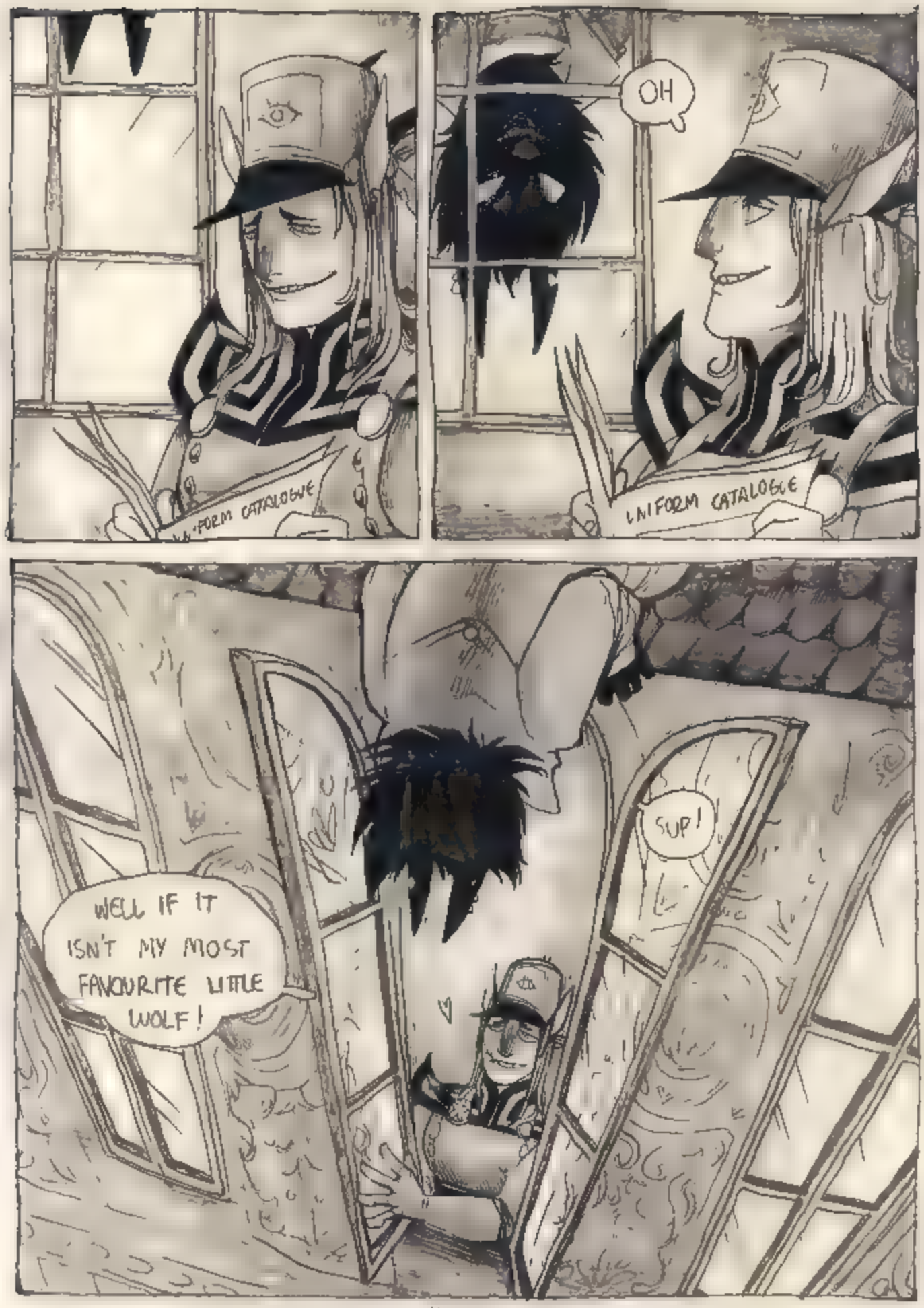
AND THEN, WHEN SHE WAS JUST ABOUT TO GET THE FORMULA RIGHT...
SHE DROPPED ONE DROP TOO MUCH...
AND THE WHOLE THING EXPLODED!

RIGHT INTO HER FACE! OH MAN.


I HEARD HER HAIR AND EYEBROWS WILL NEVER GROW BACK!

... SHE HAD HER HAIR JUST YESTERDAY...
DUDE! SHE'S WEARING A WIG?
COOL!

BET SHE IS...
WIG-STATIC....
ABOUT IT...
GET IT?
GET IT?
LIKE...ECSTATIC... BUT WITH A WIG....
HUHH?
ZINGG
AAAHAHAHA!!! ... HELP I'M BEING ATTACKED BY HAIR PINS!
SHE'S GOT ME... PINNED DOWN!


UNIFORM CATALOGUE
OH
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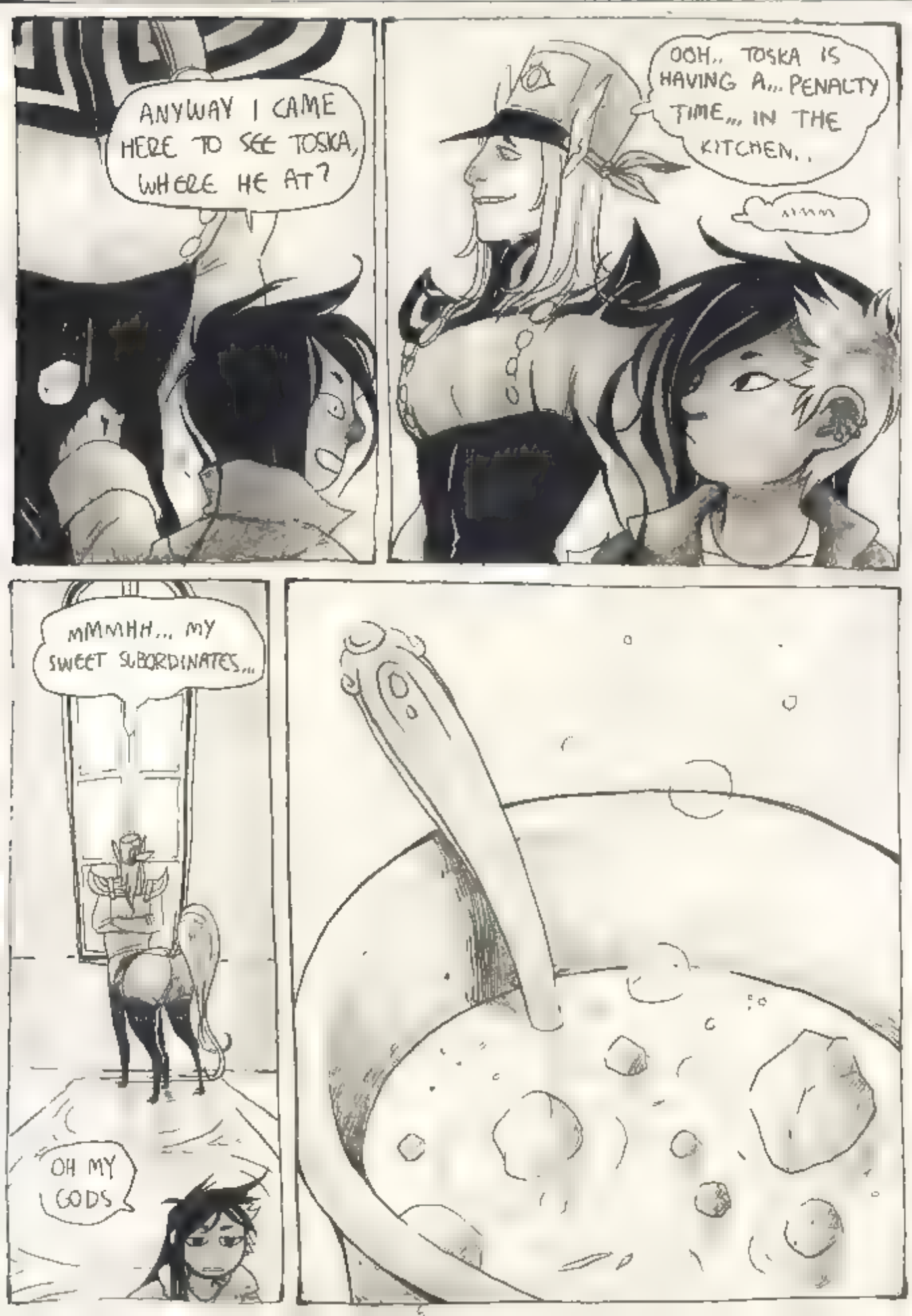
WELL IF IT ISN'T MY MOST FAVOURITE LITTLE WOLF!
SUP!

LITTLE?!
'M NOT A... PAMERANIAN.
HEH HEH
MMM WHAT'S A PAMERANIAN..
WELL IT'S THIS TINY DOG, POMERANIAN AND
OHHH I MUST HAVE MISHEARD.
THAT YOU DID.. PAMERANIAN...
BUT I'M AFRAID THAT I DONT KNOW WHAT'S A POMERANIAN EITHER
I CANT BELIEVE YOU'RE REAL
OHHH SUCH EXISTENTIALISTIC THOUGHTS.
SOMETIMES YOU'RE JUST TOO MUCH TO BE AROUND WITH


ANYWAY I CAME HERE TO SEE TOSKA, WHERE HE AT?
OOH.. TOSKA IS HAVING A... PENALTY TIME... IN THE KITCHEN..
MMMHH... MY SWEET SUBORDINATES...
OH MY GODS

HEY! TOSKA!
WATCHA DOING
SUFFERING.

I...I SNEEZED AND SOME OF IT MAY HAVE LANDED IN THE SOUP...
HEY DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT!
IT'S SNOT A BIG DEAL...
OH OH! WAIT, I GOT IT!
YOU MADE A WORDPLAY!
NOT... AND SNOT!!
BECAUSE I SNEEZED IN THE SOUP!!

YOU'RE JUST SO SWEET IN YOUR INNOCENCE...
PAP
?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE SOUP, A LITTLE BOOGER WON'T KILL ANYBODY.
EXCEPT MAYBE IN THE MIDDLE AGES.
I BET YOU CAN'T EVEN TASTE IT!
REALLY NOW

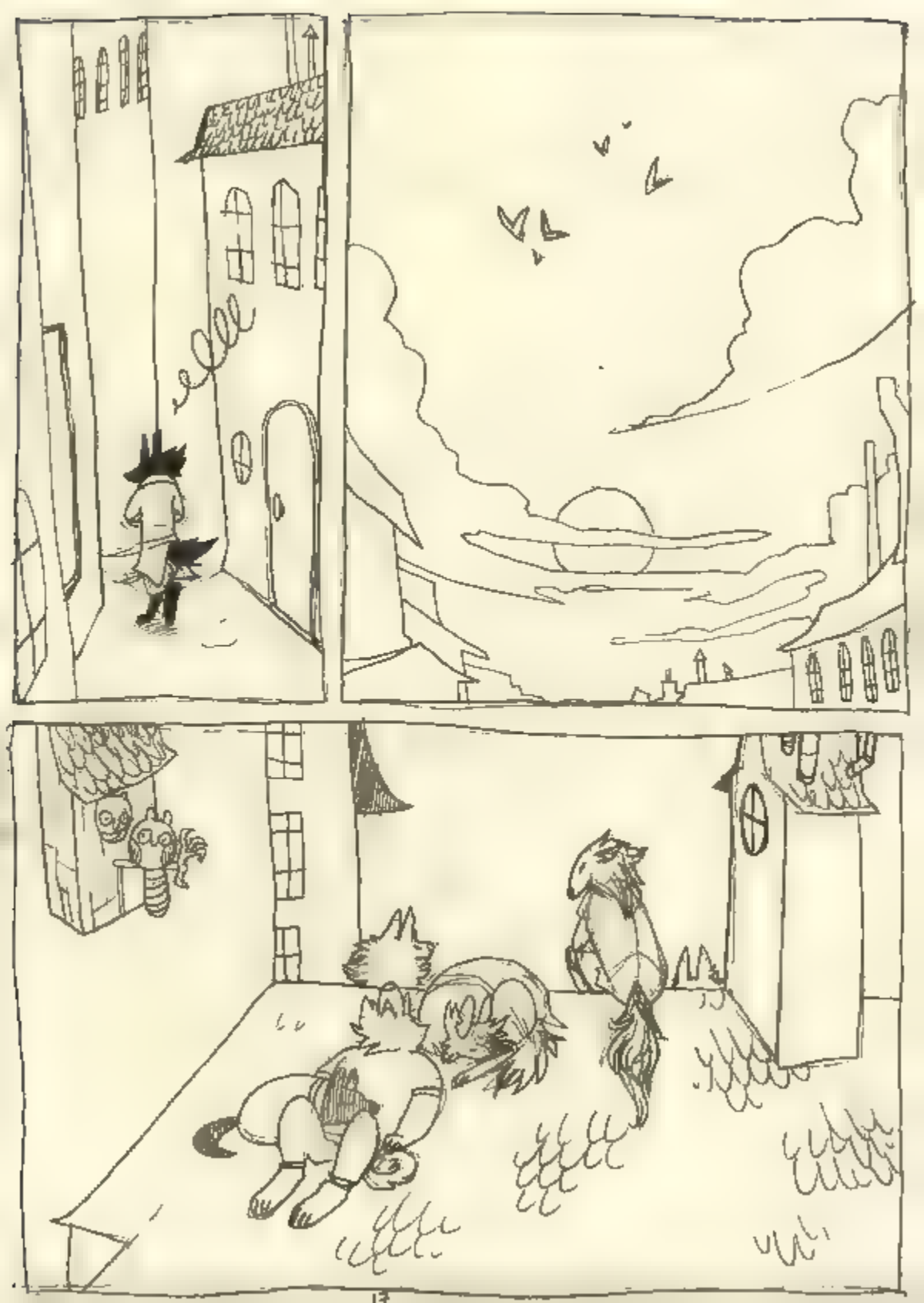
AND YOU BETTER STAY AWAY!!
OH MAN SHE SURE CAN BE SPOOKY..
NOT ONLY BECAUSE OF HER CHARACTER, BUT ALSO BECAUSE OF THE, UH, PUMPKIN..
...MAN THAT WAS BAD.
THANK GODS NOBODY HEARD.

I CAN SEE YOU, PAM.
YOU DO REMEMBER THAT YOUR BAN TO THE LIBRARY IS STILL ACTIVE?
KHHH
I CAN NEVER SNEAK IN WHEN YOU'RE BEHIND THE COUNTER.
AND ON THAT-
-YOU CAN THANK MY FRIEND

SNIK
SKK
SKT
SSSSS...
...SSPYDER.
HMM.
A MODERATELY FUN RUN. .LL GIVE YOU A C+ FOR IT.

UAAAHH I WISH MY BAN WOULD END ALREADY
DO YOU MIND IF I SIT HERE FOR A WHILE?
SINCE YOU MADE ME SLIGHTLY AMUSED, YOU MAY.
THANKS.
KLOP KLOP
EXCUSE ME WOULD YOU TELL ME WHERE TO FIND THE COMPLETE GUIDE TO IMMIGRATION POLITICS.
LET'S SEE.

WHAT. ARE YOU DOING.
THIS ISN'T GOOD THINKING ABOUT YOUR BAN.
POOR THING ...
GETTING ANNOYED SO EASILY?
.....
YEAH, YEAH KNOW I'M A HOTHEAD BUT HE DID AVE ME A PRETTY ANNOYING LIDE



HEYYY WHAT UP!
PAM!
WEIRD SMELLS!
IS THAT TROLL SNOT EW
WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO!
HELLO!
WE FOUND A DEAD ELK FROM THE RIVER!
REN FEED FROM THE ROOF ON SOMEONES NECK
'DID NOT!'
WAIT 'TILL YOU HEAR WHAT HAPPENED TONIGHT!
SIIKA GOT REAL MAD AT MY PUN IN THE MORNING!
NO WONDER
HAHA!!
DUDE

YEAH! SHE ALMOST THREW HER WHOLE MAKE-UP TABLE AT ME!

WHAT THE HECK MAN

FIERCE!

NO WONDER YOUR PUNS ARE TERRIBLE

AND THEN I WENT TO THE BRIGADE, NIKOLAI WAS AS ODD AS EVER!

AND THEN TOSKA HAD SNEEZED IN THE SOUP...

BUT THE WHOLE SOUP LOOKED SHOT...

DARLING, WHAT'S SO INTERESTING OUT THERE?
...WOLVES.
THEY'RE SINGING.

The End

REALLY!?
WELL I WON'T SAY NO TO SUCH AN OFFER!
IM COLIN, BY THE WAY!
SERIOUSLY D, DON'T SWEAT IT.
AND WHEN WE'RE FINALLY ALONE, I CAN PUT MY PLAN INTO MOTION..!
HERE YOU GO!
SPLASH
EH?
THANKS AGAIN FOR HELPING ME OUT!
WA-WA WAIT!
I'LL RETURN THE FAVOUR SOME DAY!

PHEW!
FINALLY SOME LUCK IN MY LIFE
HEYY GUESS WHO GOT OFF WORK EARLY—
WHAT?!
YOU'RE BOTH STILL ASLEEP!?

SERIOUSLY, YOU TWO ARE COMPLETELY IN RUIN!
WH-COLIN I HAVE A HUNG-OVER -

I WORK HARD EVERY DAY..
WHILE YOU'RE WASTED

MY BACK HURTING, HANDS
IN BUSTERS

HURK.

SHUT IT, PLEASE... HEADACHE...

YEAH, GOD, COLIN GO BOTHER SOMEONE ELSE.

UH
WELL
IT'S NOT LIKE YOU'RE MY ONLY FRIENDS!
GHK

..YEAH WE ARE.
AH!
OH I SEE HOW IT IS!
BUT I DON'T NEED TO HEAR THIS FROM YOU!
BECAUSE I'M GONNA
GO HANG OUT WITH MY OTHER FRIENDS!
NGH
WHO ARE WAITING FOR ME! RIGHT NOW!
ACTUALLY IT'S JUST ONE FRIEND, BUT STILL.
SO YEAH, GOOD DAY TO YOU BOTH!
UGH

HELLOOO
TOSKA YOU HERE?
THUNK!

HEYA COLIN!!
YOU'RE LOOKING EXTRA FRECKLY TODAY!

SURE?

AND IS THIS FOR ME?
FLOP
UM

TOSKA?
COULD YOU PLEASE PUT SOME CLOTHES ON?

HM?
COULD YOU DRESS UP?!

OH I LOST MY CLOTHES.
M-HM NICE
MUMS

WELL FINE
NAPS

SO! HOW YOU'VE BEEN HOLDING UP? ENJOYING THE OUTDOORS?

HAHA, YOU'RE ODD.
WHAT!? YOU'RE THE ODD ONE!

HEY, MY CLOTHES GOT WET BECAUSE OF ALL THE HUMIDITY UP HERE! SO I PUT THEM UP SOMEWHERE TO DRY.
THEN GO GET THEM!?

YEAH BUT HERE'S THE THING; I FORGOT WHERE I LEFT THEM AND...
...URGH

THAT'S THE CONSTELLATION OF THE WALKING FISH

NONE OF THESE ARE REAL STARS THOUGH

THIS HAVEN WE LIVE IN HAS A ROOF ON IT, AND THE STARS ARE SMALL HOLES,

POKED ON THE ROOF TO MAKE AN ILLUSION OF A STARRY SKY

WHAAAAAAAT ARE YOU SERIOUS?

HOW COME YOU DON'T KNOW THIS STUFF! IT WAS TAUGHT TO US IN, LIKE, FIRST GRADE!
AAAAAHH. WELL I'M A CHICKEN YOU KNOW, NO SCHOOLS FOR CHICKEN...
WHAT DO YOU EVEN MEAN BY THAT...
I GREW UP IN A FARM, WITH MY LOVELY FLOCK OF HENS...
THEN A WITCH TURNED ME INTO THIS!
EEH, SOUNDS ODD..
PIKOKA!? LADY LEONA IS HERE TO SPEAK WITH YOU!
OAAAHH!?

AH! QUICK, WE MUST CLEAN UP BEFORE SHE-
KLANK!
HEEEY PIKOKAI! I HOPE I'M NOT BOTHERING YOU?
OHHH NOT AT ALL, NOT AT ALL...
LEONA MY QUEEN! MY WONDERFUL, TERRIFYING MONSTER GIRL...
HAHAHA SHUT UP

HAVE YOU COME UP WITH THE SECOND TASK YET?
WHAT A WHAT NOW?

YOU HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN OUR DEAL, HAVE YOU?

UHHHHHHHHH
SHE'S SUPOSED TO PERFORM THREE DEEDS IN ORDER TO PAY HER FRIENDS DEBT

SHE ALREADY DID THE FIRST ONE,
WHICH WAS TO FIND YOUR LOST RING.
THAT YOU HAD JUST FORGOTTEN YOU WERE WEARING

...WHAT!
OH IT'S JUST GOOD THAT SOME OF US ARE WELL INFORMED

ARE YOU READY TO HEAR THE SECOND TASK!

CLAP CLAP

IMPRESSIVE. LET'S HEAR IT!

Hello!
It only recently occurred to me that I should probably post about this in here, too and not only on my social media...

Prague Race will continue in text! I'm writing a rough outline, which will be written out by Taylor Robin.

If you wish to read more comics from me, I'm currently drawing a webcomic called Tiger, Tiger.

More links and info in the description!